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Military court overturns soldier's conviction on sodomy charge Page 3



Sollars Elementary School fifth-grader Kelsey Ellis gets a hug and kiss from her dad and hero, Chief Petty Officer Jimmy Ellis, during an author's tea at the Misawa Air Base, Japan, school Wednesday afternoon. Students in Karen Griffis' class presented books they wrote, illustrated and constructed about their heroes — many chose to feature a parent.

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States

Housing development arson: In vestigators want to talk to the driver of a blue van that firefighters saw leaving a housing development in Indian Head, Md., where dozens of homes under construction burned, authori-

ties said Wednesday. Arson has been ruled the cause at least seven of the fires, and although the investigators do not know if the van was involved,

they want to speak with the driver, said Capt. Joe Montminy of the Charles County sheriff's office

The development, about 25 miles south of Washington, had been criticized by environ mentalists, and investigators have not ruled out ecoterrorism, or any other motive such as race, in the blaze that destroyed 12 homes and damaged 14.

Sept. 11 Fund disbanding: A Sept. 11 charity backed by a big celebrity-fueled telethon will close its doors Wednesday, having

raised more than \$500 million, officials said The Sept. 11 Fund collected \$534 million, aided in large part by a telethon appeal from some of the biggest names in film, tele-

vision and music The one-night fund-raiser 10 days after the 2001 attacks featured George Clooney, Tom Hanks and Bruce Springsteen, and viewers responded by donating nearly \$130 million for victims and their families.

Antifreeze murder case: Prosecutors in Georgia said Tuesday they will seek the death penalty against a woman convicted of fatally poisoning her husband with antifreeze and accused of killing a boyfriend the same way

Lynn Turner, 36, was indicted in October on a charge of malice murder in the 2001 death of her boyfriend, firefighter Randy Th ompson. In May, she was convicted in the 1995 murder of her husband, police officer Glenn Turner and sentenced to life in prison

Authorities allege life insurance was the motive in both cas

Kevorkian parole appeal: The Michigan parole board declined to commute Jack Kevorkian's murder sentence or grant the assisted suicide advocate parole, saying his claims of ill health mirrored claims he had made just a vear ago

In a letter sent to Kevorkian's lawyer, the board said the application essentially was the same as one it rejected in November 2003, and said another attempt could be

VAL GEMPIS/Courtesy of the U.S. Air Force

Class carolers: Kristle Protacio, from left, Catie Hoffman, Melissa Schissler and Jourdan Juarez, all students at Yokota High School on Yokota Air Base, Japan, sing Christmas carols during a concert at the school's gymnasium Tuesday.

made for similar requests only after a full two years had passed.

Kevorkian's lawyer, Mayer Morganroth, said he would go directing to Gov. Jennifer Granholm and ask her to consider parole or a commuted sentence for the 76-year-old.

World

Palestinian elections: Israel and the Palestinians have agreed on the logistics of the upcoming election to replace Yasser Arafat, senior Palestinian official said Wednesday, but he denied reports that the two sides had worked out a broader deal to end their decades-old conflict

The Palestinians had demanded that Israel cease military operations and withdraw from Palestinian cities and towns to allow candidates to campaign for the Jan. 9 presidential elections to replace Arafat, who died last month

The Palestinians also insisted that residents of east Jerusalem be allowed to vote, a demand that Israel has resisted. The Palestinians want east Jerusalem, annexed by Israel after the 1967 Mideast war, to be their future capital.

N. Korea nuclear talks: A key U.S. envoy on the North Korean nuclear issue met officials in Seoul on Wednesday amid a flurry of diplomacy aimed at persuading Pyongyang to return to six-nation talks on convinc-

ing it to abandon its nuclear ambitions.

Joseph DeTrani and Cho Tae-yong, head of Seoul's task force for the nuclear dispute, discussed the crisis that erupted in late 2002 after U.S. officials said North Korea admitted running a secret nuclear program in violation of international agreements

Following the meeting Cho told South Korean reporters that DeTrani expressed "disappointment" that no date for the next round of six-party talks has yet been fixed.

Ukraine electoral reforms: Ukraine's parliament adopted electoral and constitutional changes Wednesday in a compromise intended to defuse the nation's political crisis prompting opposition leaders to say they would lift a two-week blockade of government buildings.

The vote came as a surprise after days of political maneuvering and massive street protests following the disputed Nov. 21 presidential runoff election. It suggested that opposition leader Viktor Yushchenko's camp had determined that the prolonged unrest could ultimately weaken the country and his own position ahead of a Dec. 26 rerun of that vote.

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Soldier's sodomy conviction overturned

By MICHAEL DOBBS
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — A military appeals court has overturned the conviction of a soldier for consensual sodomy in a decision that gay rights activists are hailing as an important legal victory removing some of the barriers to homosexu-

al activity in the armed forces. The previously unreported decision, handed down last week by the U.S. Army Court of Criminal Appeals, builds on a landmark Supreme Court ruling last year that struck down a Texas sodomy statute. It is believed to be the first time that a military court has upheld the right of consenting adults to engage in oral sex in private.

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Last week's court decision involved a male Army specialist who was convicted of engaging in oral sex with a female civilian in a military barracks. Kenneth Bullock was charged under Article

Ruling may undercut premise of 'don't ask, don't tell'

125 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice, which prohibits "unnatural carnal copulation with another person of the same or opposite sex or with an animal."

"It undercuts the premise of 'don't ask, don't tell," 'said Wash-ington lawyer David Sheldon, who represents several soldiers fighting their dismissal from the armed forces because of homosexual activity. He was referring to a Pentagon policy that has led to the discharge of more than 9,000 openly gay service mem-

bers over the past decade.

In a statement Wednesday,
Army officials downplayed the
significance of the case, saying it
had more to do with judicial analysis of the facts than sexual misconduct regulations.

"Bullock is a memo opinion, unpublished. It does not change the law, and it does not find consensual sodomy unconstitutional. The case is fact-specific and thus limited to the individual facts of that case."

Officials at the U.S. Army Court of Criminal Appeals said the Bullock incident took place at Fort Polk in Louisiana

Although the case involved a man and a woman, legal experts said the principles invoked by the three military judges were equally applicable to homosexual activity.

The constitutionality of Article 125 has come under assault as a result of last year's Supreme Court decision in Lawrence v. Texas, which upheld the notion of a "zone of privacy" for sexual relationships involving consenting adults

This decision means that "even in the military you have a zone of privacy and can engage in sexual acts in private that used to be considered criminal," said Patricia Logue, senior counsel for Lambda Legal, which seeks to overturn anti-gav military statutes.

Legal experts said the Pentagon could appeal the decision to the Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces or to the Supreme Court, on the grounds that the military is a special institution with

its own disciplinary procedures. The Pentagon policy on "don't ask, don't tell" was codified by Congress in a 1993 law that described the military as a distinct social organization that frequently required "forced intimacy with little or no privacy." The law endorsed the right of the armed force to exclude "persons who demonstrate a propensity or intent to engage in homosexual acts" that could undermine "morale, go order and discipline."

"The Department of Defense policy on homosexual conduct in the military implements a Federal awe enacted in 1993 following extensive hearings and debate." LLC ol. Ellen Krenke, a Pentago spokeswoman, said in a Wednesday e-mail answer to a Stars and Stripes inquiry on the ruling. "The law would need to changed to affect the department's policy."

Gay activists have challenged the Pentagon ban and have won some preliminary skirmishes. This week, a dozen former armed forces members discharged for being gay or lesbian filled suit in federal court in Boston, challenging the constitutionality of "don't ask, don't tell." They argued that the military sodomy statute conflicted with the Lawrence v. Texas decision.

Stars and Stripes contributed to this report.

Parents heroes in Misawa kids' eyes

By JENNIFER H. SVAN Stars and Stripes

MISAWA AIR BASE, Japan — Lance Armstrong may have overcome cancer to win the Tour de France a record six times, but the world-famous cyclist doesn't hold a candle to dads and moms at this northern Japan base.

When Sollars Elementary School teacher Karen Griffis asked her fifth-graders to choose a hero in their local community to feature in a writing project, most picked one of their parents.

"She does my laundry and sometimes packs my lunch," said Christian Fejeran of her mom, Yasuko Gourdine. "I cannot survive without my mom."

Feieran was one of 12 students who read about his hero during a special author's tea in Griffis' classroom Wednesday afternoon. Parents and a few siblings ate cookies and drank lemonade while students shared stories and nictures about fathers who coach soccer and play pranks; of mothers who braid hair and help with homework; and a big brother who also is a best friend. Misawa's heroes in the eves of 10-year-olds fly jets, wait tables, attend middle school, teach, mentor youth and fix aircraft parts. They are both ordinary and extraordinary.

"As you can see, a hero doesn't have to be a superhero," said Alex Best of his dad, Air Force Col. Eric Best, 35th Operations Group deputy commander and F-16 fighter pilot. "If it weren't for my dad, I would not be here and be the person that I am."

More than half of the fifth-grad-



NNIFER H. SVAN/Stars and Stripe

Austin Pieters says he knows his dad and hero, Robert Pieters, a Naycivilian at Misawa Air Base, Japan, loves him because he tucks him and his sister in at night and plays games with them. Austin featured his father in a book he presented Wednesday during an author's tea at Sollars Elementary School.

ers making presentations Wednesday chose their father as hern Most of the super dads were either Air Force or Navy members, but their kids talked more about time their fathers spent with family, from dirt biking on weekends to plaving a game of catch.

"Everything's special about my dad," said Jennifer Glover of Air Force Tech. Sgt. Jimmy Glover. "He is my favorite person in the whole world."

Megan Goynes said her dad was heroic because "he cares about me. I can talk to him when I want to, and he is just the best dad ever. That is why he is a hero to me."

to me."

Master Sgt. Duane Goynes said
he was touched by his daughter's
words and now more than ever

has big shoes to fill.

"I hope I can live up to her expectations," he said, "and don't let her down."

Griffis' students spent several months working on their book. They had to come up with their own interview questions, write several drafts and draw pictures for illustrations. They also practiced in front of their classmates for the author's tea. This is the second year Griffis has done the project at Sollars after starting it about 10 years ago while teaching in the United States, she said.

"It gives a purpose for their writing and lets them shine as writers," she said of the event. "It also gives them a chance to tell the people who are special to them how much they mean to them. For a lot of parents, this is the first time their kids have publicly said how much they mean to them."

Griffis' classes in the States tended to choose heroes from the community-at-large, such as a business person or teacher. She's found at Misawa about 90 percent of her students select one of their parents, she said. "It shows they have a lot of pride in their familiary than the state of the students select one of their parents, she said. "It shows they have a lot of pride in their familiary than the state of the state

The other half of Griffis' class were to present their books Friday from 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m in Classroom 202.

In Classroom 202.

A number of dads were to be recognized, and so, too, were a pastor and even a few moms. Brynn Molin proudly said she plans to talk about her mom, Kristine "because she cares about me and she loves me."

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Speed bumps installed in Yokota school zones

BY VINCE LITTLE Stars and Stripes

YOKOTA AIR BASE, Japan — Hoping to rein in drivers eager to zoom through school zones, base officials recently plopped down several large speed bumps in those areas.

Initially aimed at curbing speeding problems in Yokota's housing areas, the effort is being carried out by the 374th Civil Engineer Squadron under an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity contract. All roads surrounding Yokota High School, Yokota Middle School, Yokota Mara Elementary School and Yokota West El

"They are all being put in

under a different task order" than the work in housing areas, said 2nd Lt. Shawn Christensen, the 374th Civil Engineer Squadron's chief of construction management. "They actually started off in housing and are only now getting the school zones. We're not certain how many will be put in because there could be multiple requests and task orders under this type of contract"

Yokota West Elementary School principal Lee Kirsch said the speed bumps are needed to safeguard students.

"While most drivers control their speeds, there are some who ignore the 20-kilometer limit thereby endangering children,"

The local Japanese contractor needed only a day or two to install the speed bumps, Christensen said, so many motorists were caught by surprise.

"They provide increased awareness that they are driving in a restricted speed area because of a school crossing," he added.

Elsewhere on base, civil engineer officials have wrapped a web of scaffolding around the water tower on Yokota's west side for use on a repainting project.

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Volunteers needed for Misawa Cookie Caper

MISAWA AIR BASE, Japan — Volunteers are needed to donate holiday cookies and individually wrapped candy and to assemble hundreds of cookie gift packages for delivery during this year's Cookie Caper.

During the Cookie Caper, Misawa community members deliver the treats to unaccompanied airmen, sailors and personnel on temporary duty.

Donations can be dropped off at the base chapel on Dec. 13 from 7-9 a.m., 11 a.m.-1 p.m. and 3-5 p.m.

Call Lisa Carter at the American Red Cross at DSN 226-3016 for more information or to help.

From staff reports

Correction

A photo caption on Page 2 of Thursday's edition should have said that Brig. Gen. William Rew is the commander of the 35th Fighter Wing and Misawa Air Base, Japan.

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WASHINGTON — A military

investigation has concluded tha

the Air Force's ton lawver engaged in improper relationships

with more than a dozen women

over the last decade, two Defense

While overseeing the work of

3,200 people, Maj. Gen. Thomas J. Fiscus, the Air Force judge ad-

vocate general, allegedly conduct-

ed affairs with enlisted women, of-

ficers and civilian employees in

violation of military rules against

charges

Department officials

with the findings said.

GIs grill Rumsfeld on lack of armor $\left| \substack{\mathrm{Air\ Force's} \\ \mathrm{top\ lawyer}} \right|$

BY ROBERT BURNS The Associated Press

CAMP BUEHRING, Kuwait -Disgruntled U.S. soldiers complained to Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld on Wednesday about the lack of armor for their vehicles and long deployments, drawing a blunt retort from the Pentagon chief.

"You go to war with the Army you have," he said in a rare pub-lic airing of rank-and-file concerns among the troops

In his prepared remarks earli-er, Rumsfeld had urged the troops — mostly National Guard

and Reserve soldiers - to discount critics of the war related story on Page 5

in Iraq and to help "win the test of wills' with the insurgents. Army Spc. Thomas Wil-

son of the 278th Regimental Comhat Team that is composed mainly of citizen soldiers of the Tennessee Army National Guard. asked Rumsfeld in a question-and-answer session why vehicle armor is still in short supply, nearly two years after the start of the war that ousted Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

"Why do we soldiers have to dig through local landfills for pieces of scrap metal and compromised ballistic glass to uparmor our vehicles?" Wilson asked. A big cheer arose from the approximately 2,300 soldiers in the cavernous hangar Rumsfeld hesitated and asked

Wilson to repeat his question.

"We do not have proper ar mored vehicles to carry with us



Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld has his nicture taken Wednesday with American soldiers at

fraternization, the officials said. Charges against Fiscus could be made as early as Wednesday, the officials said. Defense officials and others in the Air Force legal community expect that Fis cus, if found guilty, likely would be drummed out of the ranks of general officers by being demoted at least two ranks and retired as a colonel.

If he pleads guilty or is found guilty at court-martial, Fiscus would be the first judge advocate general relieved for improper con-duct, a Pentagon official said.

The investigation is raising eye brows inside the Air Force because of surprise at the amount of evidence, said the Pentagon officials, who spoke on the condition that they not be named because they were not authorized to speak about a sensitive pending case.

The investigation's conclusions were sent last month to Gen Donald G. Cook, chief of the Air Education and Training Command, who is supposed to determine whether to take action against Fiscus

north," Wilson said

Rumsfeld replied that troops should make the best of the conditions they face and said the Army was pushing manufacturers of vehicle armor to produce it as fast as humanly possible.

Another soldier complained that active-duty Army units sometimes get priority over the National Guard and Reserve units for the best equipment in Iraq.

"There's no way I can prove it. but I am told the Army is breaking its neck to see that there is not" discrimination against the National Guard and Reserve in terms of providing equipment, Rumsfeld said.

Yet another soldier asked, without putting it to Rumsfeld as a direct criticism, how much longer the Army will continue using its "stop loss" power to prevent soldiers from leaving the service who are otherwise eligible to retire or quit.

Rumsfeld said that this condition was simply a fact of life for soldiers at time of war



imental Combat Team — composed mainly of reservists in the messee Army National Guard — asks Rumsfeld why vehicle armor is still in short supply, nearly two years after the war in Iraq began.

Greetings for deployed airmen

MISAWA AIR BASE, Japan - Family members and friends can send online holiday greetings to airmen deployed to Iraq during the holi-

days through the Iraq Newslink Web site.

The greetings are free and will be posted on the site. Greetings should be text only, with no photos or graphics, and no longer than 50 words.

To send a greeting or for more information, go to www.afnews.af.mil/iraq and click on the "Send a Holiday Greeting" button on the right side of the page

Personal training certification

YOKOTA AIR BASE, Japan - Base officials are seeking personnel interested in becoming licensed personal trainers.

An Aerobics and Fitness Association of America personal trainer certification course will be offered Feb. 4-6 in Seoul. Once trainers are certirered reb. 4-6 in Seoul. Once trainers are certified, they may apply for contractor jobs through Yokota's Fitness & Sports Program.
The course is \$365 for Department of Defense ID cardholders and \$429 for others. Registration

includes the three-day certification workshop, a study guide, written and practical exams, one-year AFAA membership, one-year subscription to the American Fitness magazine and 15 continuing education units for AFAA-certified professionals.

The workshop features lectures on various fitness topics, practical demonstrations, and written and practical examinations.

Call Senior Airman Jessica Peris at DSN 225-6133, for more information.

From staff reports

Report on cadet sex assaults faults Air Force Academy commanders

By JON SARCHE The Associated Press

DENVER - A Pentagon report critical of the role of commanders at the Air Force Academy was blasted as inadequate by at least one former cadet who said she was raped by a classmate

Inspector General Joseph E. Schmitz blamed, but did not identify, eight Air Force officers for their roles in policies that oversaw sexual-assault reporting at the academy, according to a summa-ry of the report. Twenty-one other officers were found to have acted appropri-

ately.
"It looks to me like they took a list of officers who are not on their good list and held them accountable when the officers who actually were the ones committing the wrongdoings at the academy were on the list that were exonerated." former cadet Beth Davis said Tues-

Davis, who left the academy as a junior in August 2002, said she was punished for reporting that she was raped - receiving a demerit for having sex in a dorm - and said her alleged attacker was not prosecuted.

Pentagon did not release Schmitz's full report. Instead, Schmitz quoted from his report in a Dec. memo to Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld made public Tuesday

Schmitz said academy commanders failed to recognize and deal with the seriousness of sexual assaults against female cadets. Academy leaders should have been better role models and should have kept a closer watch on their commands, he said.

"We conclude that the overall root cause of the sexual assault problems at the Air Force Academy was the 'failure of successive chains of command over the past 10 years to acknowledge the se-verity of the problem," Schmitz wrote.

Responding to the criticism, assistant Air Force secretary Michael Domingu-ez said on NBC's "Today" show Wednesday that academy officials "could have and should have done many things better. But, remember, these people were wrestling with a na-tional problem. The failure was that they really didn't recognize the magni-tude of it."

Academy Superintendent Lt. Gen.

John Rosa said he could not comment on the full report, but said there are indications of progress in making cultural changes to prevent problems.

Outside investigations have concluded the academy's culture created condi-tions that contributed to the problem. That included lingering resistance to having female cadets at all.

Last year, nearly 150 women came

forward with accusations that they had been sexually assaulted by fellow ca-dets between 1993 and 2003.

Many alleged they were punished for infractions such as drinking, ignored or ostracized by commanders for speaking out. Two cadets have been charged with sexual assault stemming from the investigation.

In response to sexual assault issues at the academy and in the armed forces, David Chu, undersecretary of defense for personnel and readiness, said the Pentagon soon would implement a militarywide policy protecting the confidentiality of people who report being sexually assaulted.

"First and foremost, we want victims to come forward for help," something that hasn't happened enough in the past, Chu said.

U.S. combat deaths at 1,001

By SLOBODAN LEKIC The Associated Press

BAGHDAD - The Pentagon said Wednesday that the number of U.S. combat deaths in Operation Iraqi Freedom now is above 1 000

An American soldier was slain Tuesday by small-arms fire while on patrol in Bagh dad. On Wednesday, the Pentagon's Web site listed the total number of U.S. combat deaths at 1,001

The military also said a Marine died in a vehicle accident in western Baghdad. The two deaths brought the number of U.S. military who have died since the be ginning of the Iraq war in March 2003 to 1.279, according to an Associated Press

In Iraq, insurgents launched assaults around Samarra on Wednesday, trading gunfire with U.S. forces, attacking a convoy, and blowing up a police station after looting its armory

The gunmen in Samarra stormed a police station, looted the weapons inside and blew up the building, according to a police officer A policeman and a child standing nearby were killed during the clashes before the insurgents fled.

U.S. soldiers were also attacked by small-arms fire near a traffic intersection, but no one was hurt. The soldiers began checking cars after the incident and fired at two vehicles that failed to stop, killing both drivers, the military said.

A suicide bomber also detonated his ex-

U.S. deaths in Iraq

As of Tuesday, at least 1,279 members of the U.S. military have died since the beginning of the Iraq war in March 2003, according to an Associated Press count. At least 999 died as a result of hostile action, the Defense Department said. The figures include three military civilians

The AP count is five higher than the Defense Department's tally, last updated at 10 a.m. EST Tuesday.

The British military has reported 74 deaths; Italy, 19; Poland, 13; Spain, 11; Ukraine, nine; Bulgaria, seven; Slovakia, three; Estonia, Thailand and the Netherlands, two each; and Denmark, El Salvador, Hungary and Latvia one death each Since May 1, 2003, when President Bush

Iraq had ended, 1,141 U.S. military members have died, according to AP's count. That includes at least 890 deaths resulting from hostile action, according to the mili tary's numbers. plosives-packed car near two U.S. Bradley fighting vehicles parked outside an Ameri

can base, injuring one Iraqi civilian, while

insurgents attacked American forces at an-

other location with machine guns and rock-

et-propelled grenades. No U.S. casualties

declared that major combat operations in

The latest deaths reported by the mili-

One Marine was killed Tuesday in a nonhostile vehicle accident in Anbar prov-

■ One U.S. soldier died Tuesday in Baghdad of wounds received from small arms The latest identifications reported by the

Army Cpl. Joseph O. Behnke, 45, New York; died in a vehicle accident Saturday in Baghdad; assigned to the Army National Guard's 1st Battalion, 258th Field Artillery

Regiment, New York City.

Army Staff Sgt. Kyle A. Eggers, 27, Euss, Texas; died Sunday in Habbaniyah when his vehicle was struck by an explo-sive; assigned to the 1st Battalion, 506th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Infantry Division, Camp Greaves, South Korea. ■ Army Sgt. Michael L. Boatright, 24,

Whitesboro, Texas; killed by an explosive Saturday in Baghdad; assigned to the 20th Engineer Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood Tevas

were sustained

Clashes also broke out in Ramadi between American troops and insurgents around a U.S. base. A hospital official said three civilians were killed and one was



British Defense Secretary Geoff Hoon visits British troops in Basra, Iraq, on Wednesday. As Hoon discussed preparations for Iraq's Jan. 30 elections with Basra's governor. U.S. troops fought insurgents who launched multiple assaults in Samarra

In southern Iraq, British Defense Minister Geoff Hoon met with some of Britain's 9.000 soldiers who recently returned from a mission in support of U.S.-led efforts to clear insurgents from a wide area south of Baghdad, spokesman Maj. David Gibb

Hoon discussed election preparations with Basra's governor, Hassan al-Rashid, during his one-day visit.

Paisley Dodds and Vickie Chachere of The Associated Press contributed to this report

DOD official: Rumsfeld 'not embarrassed' by questions

BY LISA BURGESS

Stars and Strines ARLINGTON, Va. — Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld was "not embarrassed" by tough ques-tions from troops Wednesday about the lack of armored vehicles in Iraq and other issues, Pentagon officials said Wednesday.

Rather, such tough questions are the norm for the secretary when he meets with troops. Penta gon spokesman Lawrence Di Rita told Pentagon reporters.
Rumsfeld received a very point-

ed question about the lack of ar-mored vehicles in Iraq by Army Spc. Thomas Wilson during a Spc. Thomas Wilson during a "town meeting" at Camp Bueh-ring, Kuwait, on Wednesday.

through local landfills for pieces of scrap metal and compromised ballistic glass to up-armor our vehi-cles?" asked Wilson, a member of the 278th Regimental Combat Team that is composed mainly of citizen soldiers of the Tennessee Army National Guard, according to the Associated Press.

Di Rita said that after hearing a broadcast of the town hall meet-ing, he "called and spoke with" the deputy commanding general of U.S. forces in Kuwait, Maj. Gen. Gary Speer, to ask him about the armor issue.

Di Rita said that Sneer was 'not certain of the specific situation [Wilson] was referring to,

of U.S. commanders on the ground in Iraq to load unarmored Humvees on flat-bed trucks which themselves are not ar-mored. Di Rita said — and "convoy them" into Iraq.

The armored Humvees, meanwhile, are driven by soldiers into Iraq from Kuwait, Di Rita said. "The policy is that as units move

into the theater ... if [their vehicles] are not armored, they are convoyed in, not driven," Di Rita said. And once in Iraq, unarmored Humvees "do not leave the base camp," but are reserved for routine errands inside the base

Furthermore, Di Rita said, since the Army first identified a need for more armored Humvees, in the fall of 2003, the service "has done just a superb job of turning around a component of industrial base that was doing different things" turning the manufacturers to making both armored Humvees and armor kits for other vehicles

were "producing something on order of 15 armored Humvees ner month," Di Rita said. Today, that number is 450, he

said, with \$1.2 billion spent since August 2003 on armor and armored Humvees alone. As a result, "three out of four" Humvees now in Iraq are armored, he said.

Di Rita said that the fact that commanders did not anticipate the need for more armored vehicles in Iraq until well after the announced end of major combat operations did not reflect poor plan ning on the part of Pentagon leaders, as some critics have alleged.

'Combat planning is not a crys tal ball; it's not predictions," Di Rita said. "It's the ability to be flexible enough to change things as needed."

Pressed for detail concerning the 278th Regimental Combat Team's situation as it prepares to move into Iraq, Di Rita said that

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the unit is supposed to "fall in on existing armored Humvees" that are being left behind by a unit that is redeploying home.

Asked whether the recent an-

nouncement that more than 10,000 troops will be held in Iraq longer than expected in order to provide security for elections might cause a shortage of such "swapped out" vehicles, Brig. Gen. David Rodriguez, the Joint Staff's Deputy Director for Region-al Operations, said that "commanders have on the ground ... have ad-justed their plans accordingly." Rodriguez said Wilson would

not face informal or formal repercussions or disciplinary actions for his question to Rumsfeld.

don't take action (against troops) for asking questions," Rod-riguez said. "That soldier will keep doing the job he [was] doing."

The Associated Press contributed to this story from Camp Buehring, Kuwait. E-mail Lisa Burgess at: burgessl@stripes.osd.mil

Yokota Baptist Church Pastor Warren Webster

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Appeals trial opens for 6 in Cole bombing

BY AHMED AL-HAJ The Associated Press

SAN'A, Yemen - The appeals trial of six men convicted in the 2000 bombing of the USS Cole opened Wednesday with prosecutors demanding the execution of two defendants who escaped the death penalty.

The first convictions in the al-Qaida attack that killed 17 American sailors were handed down in September, with four Yemenis sentenced to five to 10 years in prison. Two men Abd al-Rahim al-Nashiri, a Saudi suspected of being an associate of Osama bin Laden, and Vemeni militant Jamal al-Radawi - were sentenced to death. Al-Badawi, interrupting proceedings from behind bars in the courtroom dock, shouted to Judge Saeed al-Qattaa that the proceedings were a sham.

Prosecutors said defendants Fahd al-Oasaa and Maamoun al-Msoua, who were sentenced to 10 and eight years respectively, should be

executed because their collaboration in planning the attack has been proved. The prosecution added that Yemeni law stipulates that any crime that results in a death is punishable by death

Al-Nashiri, who is believed to have masterminded the Cole attack and also thought to have directed the 1998 bombings at the U.S. embassies in Kenva and Tanzania, was the only defendant not present during the trial. He is in U.S. custody at an undisclosed loca-

Jenkins' citizenship

TOKYO — U.S. Army deserter Charles Jenkins, settling in northern Japan after his release from a military prison and four decades in North Korea, has expressed hopes of becoming a Japanese citizen, a newspaper reported Wednesday.

The Asahi newspaper said Jenkins, who abandoned his Army unit in 1965 and defected to North Korea, would soon apply for permanent residency in Japan on the remote island of Sado, where he arrived on Tues-

Crown princess recovering

TOKYO - Japan's Crown Princess Masako, who turned 41 on Thursday, said she is recovering from a psychological disorder brought on by the pressures of royal life but won't resume her of-

ficial duties for "some time." Masako has been out of the pub lic view since December 2003, when she withdrew from official duties due to illness. Under pressure, palace officials later announced that the princess had a stress-related disorder and was receiving counseling and medica-

Her husband, Crown Prince Naruhito, said in May that a decade of palace life and pressure to produce an heir have left her exhausted and he blamed unidentified palace officials. Under Japanese succession laws only males are eligible to assume the throne. but the couple's only child, Aiko is a girl

Japanese papers receive e-mails from man claiming to be North Korean leader's son

BY MARI YAMAGUCHI

The Associated Press

TOKYO - Akihiro Ito had seen that face before. The heavyset stranger in Beijing's international airport bore a striking resem-blance to Kim Jong Nam, a son of reclusive North Korean dictator Kim Jong Il.

So Ito and four other Japanese journalists walked up and handed him their cards - leading to a bizarre exchange of e-mails with a man claiming to have the most intimate of views into the secretive communist state.

This week Ito's Vomiuri newsna per and other top Japanese dailies carried details of the encounter in Sentember and the ensuing computer messages, stirring speculation about the inner workings of North Korea's first family. "Greetings. I'm Kim

Nam," began an e-mail last Friday to Ito, a Shanghai-based correspon-dent. "It was a pleasure to meet you at the Beijing International Airport on Sept. 25

"The end of the year is nearing I wish you good health and happiness. Dec. 3, Kim Jong Nam," concluded the message, written in Korean and sent from an address based in South Korea. The four other China-based journalists received similar messages

The e-mails contained little information about the purported

Korea, despite questions posed by Ito and the others. The man and said at one point that "no decision has made on the succession

On Tuesday, Ito received an e-mail, ostensibly from the same person, saying he was ending the exchange because the Japanese journalists had expressed doubts

about his identity. The encounter and the e-mail ex-changes — like most everything about North Korea — are shroud ed in mystery. Ito believes it likely the sender is the same man he met in Beijing. But whether that man is Kim

Jong Nam is another question

ly is, or whether he's really Kim

Jong Nam himself," Ito said.
The exchange has raised questions about the younger Kim's place in the North Korean power structure. It comes amid reports that some portraits of Kim Jong II have been removed from public places

Pyongyang has denied the re-

Kim Jong II is believed to have married three times and to consider a son by a subsequent wife a possible successor. That son, Kim Jong Chol, once studied in a Swiss school and is believed to be have worked at the propaganda depart-ment of the North's ruling Workers' Party of Korea





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IN THE STATES

Congress OKs historic intelligence overhaul

BY JESSE J. HOLLAND The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Congress on Wednesday ordered the biggest overhaul of U.S. intelligence in a half-century, replacing a network geared to the Cold War fight communism with post-Sept. 11 structure requiring military and civilian spy agencies to work together against terrorists intent on holy war.

The Senate overwhelmingly passed the legislation 89-2, one day after the House easily pushed through the compromise strongly endorsed by President Bush.

"The world has changed," said Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn.

"Our terrorist enemies today make no distinction between soldiers and civilians, between foreign and domestic locations when they attack us.'

The Sept. 11 terrorist attacks three years ago on New York City and Washington, which killed nearly 3,000 people, proved that the intelligence operation established in World War II and modified afterward to fight communism wasn't effective enough against the threats of the new cen-

tury, senators said Wednesday. "We are rebuilding a structure that was designed for a different enemy at a different time, a struc-ture that was designed for the Cold War and has not proved agile enough to deal with the threats of the 21st century," said Senate Governmental Affairs chairwoman Susan Collins,

R-Maine. Sens. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., and James Inhofe, R-Okla., voted against the bill, with Byrd saying that it was folly to expect a law to make America safer from foreign terrorists

"No legislation alone can forestall a terrorist attack on our nation," Byrd said.

Outside the Senate doors were several of the family members who had lobbied Congress carrying pictures of their loved ones

Major points of the intelligence reform legislation

■ Creates a new position, director of national intelligence, who will be the principal adviser to the president and coordinate the na-

tion's spy agencies. The position will be above the CIA director. ■ Establishes a National Counterterrorism Center for planning in-

■ Creates a Privacy and Civil Liberties Board of private citizens, with access to all government agencies, to oversee privacy protec-

Establishes minimum standards for birth certificates and driver's licenses and improves security of Social Security cards.

- The Associated Press

who died in Pennsylvania, the World Trade Center or the Penta-

"I don't think we've really digested it yet," said Mary Fetchet, social worker from New Canaan, Conn. whose 24-year-old son. Brad, died at the World Trade Center. "It's been very

The Sept. 11 commission, in its

July report, said disharmony among intelligence agencies contributed to the inability of government officials to stop the attacks. The government failed to recognize the danger posed by al-Qaida and was ill-prepared to respond to the terrorist threat, the report concluded.

In response, the legislation establishes a new director of national intelligence to oversee the nation's 15 military and civilian spy agencies and make sure they work together to forestall future attacks. The bipartisan commission said that didn't happen before terrorists flew airliners into the World Trade Center and the

The intelligence director will not be part of the president's Cabinet but is to have the same access as the defense secretary and the secretary of state. He will have authority to move intelligence assets around the globe to keep an eve on terrorist groups like al-Qaida — as well as nations like North Korea and Libya.

Bush has not yet decided whom to nominate to be the first intelligence director, spokesman Scott McClellan said. "We will move as quickly as we can, obviously, to implement the provisions and move forward on the steps it calls for in this legislation," he said.



Bush signs \$388 billion spending bill

WASHINGTON - President Bush on Wednesday signed into law a \$388 billion legislative package that covers the spending of every federal agency but the Pentagon and Department of Homeland Security.

Congress sent the measure, which covers the fiscal year that began Oct. 1, to the president on Tuesday. A temporary spending measure was to expire at midnight.

Congress passed the package Nov. 20. Lawmakers delayed sending it to the White House until they overturned language that would have made it easier for some members of Congress and their aides to enter Internal Revenue Service offices and see income tax returns.

White House spokesman Scott McClellan said the president was not troubled by the billions of dollars in special-interest measures added onto the bill by lawmakers.

"The fact that members of Congress worked together with us to meet our highest priorities and show spending restraint elsewhere in the budget is an important step in the president's hopes of reducing the deficit," McClellan said.



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IBM to sell **PC** business to Chinese firm

BY BRUCE MEYERSON The Associated Press

NEW YORK - International Business Machines Corp. is selling a majority stake in its pioneering personal computer business to China's biggest computer maker, Lenovo Group Ltd., for

\$1.75 billion in cash and stock. The widely expected deal, one of the biggest Chinese overseas acquisitions ever, would make Lenovo the third-largest PC compa-ny in the world. IBM currently holds that spot.

The sale extends IBM's long-running transition from leader and innovator in computer hardware to a dominant force in computer services, software and consulting

About 9,500 IBM workers will become employees of the new doubling Lenovo's company,

work force.

The stock IBM is receiving will give it an 18.9 percent stake in the merged company, which will have an estimated 8 percent share of the worldwide PC market. The combined PC revenue for the two companies in 2003

was \$12 billion The deal will give Lenovo ownership of two well-respected IBM brands: the ThinkPad laptop name and the ThinkCentre desk top name.

Stephen M. Ward, Jr., currently IBM senior vice president and general manager of IBM's Personal Systems Group, will serve as the chief executive officer of Lenovo following completion of the transaction. Yuanqing Yang, currently vice chairman, president and chief executive officer of Len-

ovo, will serve as the chairman of Lenovo after the transaction. Lenovo is China's biggest computer maker, claiming a 27 per-

cent market share, as well as the biggest in Asia. Its shares are traded in Hong Kong.

The companies expect that by combining operations, they'll be able to save money on manufacturing and expand their razor-thin profit margins despite intense pricing pressures. Leno-vo also hopes the IBM brand and the company's vast corporate client base will bolster its sagging

fortunes.

Principi leaving VA

WASHINGTON - Veterans Affairs Secretary Anthony Principi told his staff he was resigning, a senior Bush administration official said Wednesday. Principi is the ninth member of Bush's 15-person Cabinet to leave. He is a graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy and a decorated Vietnam veteran. His resignation letter, dated

Nov. 16, was released by the White House. Principi, 60, commanded a patrol boat during the Vietnam War and earned a Bronze Star with "v" for valor.

Also Wednesday, Treasury Secretary John Snow accepted President Bush's offer to remain in the Cabinet.

Bush's decision kept an important member of his economic team in place as the president seeks to promote his second-term priorities of simplifying tax laws and over-hauling Social Security.

Commuter van crash

LOS ANGELES - A commuter van from NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory tumbled 200 feet off a twisting mountain road Wednesday, killing at least three people, authorities said.

The van carrying 11 people, including a driver, plunged off Angeles Crest Highway in the Angeles National Forest at about 6:30 a.m. and rolled down the mountainside, Los Angeles County Fire Department inspector Ron Haralson said

"One person was able to get out of the van and make his way up to the road" to get help, Haralson Fire inspectors initially said

four people had died in the crash, but they lowered the death toll during the rescue operation.

Those three were pronounced dead at the scene

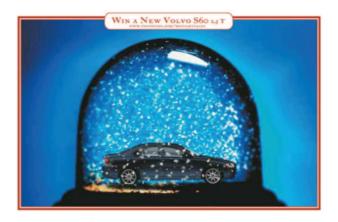
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Doctors see promise in new breast cancer drug

By MARILYNN MARCHIONE The Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO - A newer drug clearly outperforms tamoxifen at preventing breast cancer from returning and should become the first-choice treatment for most women who have had the disease, doctors are reporting

The drug, Arimidex, might be able to prevent 70 to 80 percent of the most common type of tumors that occur in women after menopause, compared to the 50 percent that tamoxifen is credited with warding off, their research suggests.

Women who took Arimidex for five years after they were treated early-stage breast cancer were less likely to have cancer recur, develop in the other breast or spread throughout their bodies than women who took tamoxifen.

"Arimidev is a more effective treatment

This is a better drug," said Dr. Aman Buz-dar, a specialist at the University of Texas' M.D. Anderson Cancer Center. He headed the U.S. portion of the study, which in-volved nearly 2,000 American women and an additional 7,300 from 20 other coun-

It was funded by Arimidex's maker, As-traZeneca PLC. Results were reported Wednesday at a meeting in Texas of breast cancer experts and were published online by the British medical journal The Lancet.

Tamoxifen revolutionized breast cance treatment when it came into use some three decades ago. It blunts the effects of estrogen, a hormone that promotes the growth of about three-fourths of the tumors that occur in postmenopausal

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women Arimidex, known generically as anastrozole, is one of three newer drugs called aromatase inhibitors, which prevent estrogen

from being made in the first place.

Festival of Lights begins



LAS CRUCES (N.M.) SUN-NEWS/AF

Rabbi Gerald Kane lights the first candle on a menorah Tuesday with others at his house in Las Cruces, N.M. It was the first night of Hanukkah, the eight-day Jewish Festival of Lights that con rates the rededicaton of the Temple by the Maccabees after their victory over the Syrians.

Study suggests laptop heat may impede male fertility

BY LEE BOWMAN Scripps Howard News Service

All that computer time on the road or at home may be taking more of a toll on some men than

Reproductive experts warn in a new study that heat generated by lanton computers can have an ad-

verse effect on male fertility. The study, reported Thursday in the journal Human Reproduction showed that testicular temperatures rose by between 4.6 and 5 degrees Fahrenheit in an hour among a group of healthy male volunteers.

"Laptops can reach internal operating temperatures of over 158 degrees, they are frequently positioned close to the scrotum and as well as being capable of producing direct local heat, they require the user to sit with thighs close together to balance the machine," aid Dr. Yefim Shenykin, associate professor of urology and director of Male Infertility and Microsurgery at the State University of New York at Stony Brook.

Shenykin and worked with 29 healthy volun-teers aged 21 to 35, measuring testicular temperatures with and without working laptops during two one-hour sessions.

Previous studies have shown that increases in testicular temperatures between 1.8 and 5.2 degrees have a sustained negative effect on sperm development and

The body needs to maintain a proper testicular temperature for normal sperm production and development," Shenykin said. "Portable computers in a laptop position produce scrotal hyperthermia by both the direct heating effect of the computer and the sitting position necessary to balance the computer

The researcher noted that by next year, some 60 million laptop computers will be in use in the United States and some 150 million worldwide. "Continued improvements in power, size and price of laptop computers have favored their increased use in younger people, and laptop sales now exceed those of desktop computers," Shenykin said, adding that higher power requirements

may generate even more heat. Surface temperatures of the two brands of computers used in the study increased from nearly 88 degrees at the start of the experiment to nearly 104 degrees after one hour

Shenykin said "we don't know the exact frequency and time of heat exposure capable of produc-ing reversible or irreversible changes in sperm development," and thus can't say precisely how long it might be possible to use a laptop at each sitting.

'Until further studies provide more information on this type of thermal exposure, teenage boys and young men may want to con sider limiting their use of laptop computers on their laps, long-term use may have a detrimental effect on their reproductive health.

Shenykin said it's possible that some type of external shielding or protective devices might help reduce the effect, but cautioned "it is essential to confirm the protective effect in a clinical study to prevent advertising and use of inefficient and useless products.'

Teen wins U.S. Chess Championship

SAN DIEGO - A 16-year-old boy has won the U.S. Chess Championship, making him the youngest player to claim the title since 14-year-old Bobby Fischer won it in 1958. Hikaru Nakamura of White Plains, N.Y., won the \$25,000 prize Monday after beating Alex Stripunsky, 34, of Rego Park, N.Y., in two overtime matches. The 11-day tournament in began with a field of 65 competitors.

Nakamura, who was born in Japan, was taught chess by his stepfather and began playing competitively at age 7. A little more than two years later, he qualified as an American master. Nakamura became an American grandmaster last year, eclipsing by a few months Fischer's record of attaining grandmaster status at age 15

College high schools get \$30M from Gates group

SEATTLE - Nearly \$30 million in grants from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation will be used to expand a national network of early college high schools, intended to provide a fast track to college for underserved young people, the foundation said Tuesday,

The schools, working with a university or college, stress rigorous curricula in seeking to increase high-school graduation rates and college readiness for minority youth, according to the foundation. Students can earn a high school diploma and two years of college credit or an associate's degree

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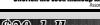


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RAY: What's with the power ob

session. Tom? You know, there

are other ways to combat hair

of the Volvo, that's fine. But the

V70 wagon has four optional en-gines, ranging from 168 to 300

orsepower. What's not powerful

RAY: And actually, we find the

2.5-liter 5-cylinder turbo engine that makes 208 horsepower to be

TOM: Getting more power than

you need usually just adds weight

to the car, wastes your gas money

and encourages you to drive like

a knucklehead and wrap yourself

around a tree. And I guess if you're going to drive like a knuck-

lehead and wrap yourself around

a tree, you might want to take an

other look at something nice and safe — like that Volvo, Tom.

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the Mercedes wagon is too expensive, you're a perfect candidate for a Dodge Magnum — IF you

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TOM: Yeah. It does tend to drip

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won't recommend it due to its lack of reliability. We haven't driven the Mercedes wagon yet, but it is low on horsepower and ous-generation Mercedes E-class (Mercedes and Chrysler are part high on price. What would you of the same company now). It's large, roomy, comfortable and available with all-wheel drive. recommend:

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RAY: With the stupid engine ("That thing's got a Hemi?"), it's another four or five thousand bucks. Plus a wad of sawbucks

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Volvo is good gamble When fan clubs get jilted

Bankrupt club costs concert-goers big money

BY JAKE COYLE The Associated Press

NEW YORK - Many artists hire outside companies to run their fan clubs, but one club designed to bring fans closer to their idols ended up dividing

Last June, 13-year-old Sophia Lief was all set to go to her first concert to see her absolute favorite: Christina Aguilera

Sophia's mother, Janet Crane, wanted to be assured of getting good tickets. So she joined Aguil era's official fan club, paying the \$35 membership fee that offered access to seats in the first 20 rows. She bought three tickets, totaling another \$375.

In late April, however, Aguilera canceled her entire 28-city "strained vocal due to cords." Naturally, Sophia's mother looked for a refund - except there was none, for her or hundreds of other Aguilera fans.

Aguilera had hired a company called FansRule to run her Web site and fan club. But as it was taking money for Aguilera tickets, FansRule was being run by a court-appointed bankruptcy trustee after filing for Chapter 11 in November 2003

FansRule still owes about \$320,000 to Aguilera fans, trustee Joe Baldiga says. "The inability to refund payments made for tick-ets," Baldiga said on Aguilera's web site, "is in no way the fault of Christina Aguilera."

Sophia doesn't agree. "Her fans

Christina Aguilera performs during the Grammy Awards in February. In late April, Aguilera canceled her 28-city tour due to "strained vocal cords." The cancellation broke FansRule, the company that ran Aguilera's fan club, leaving it

unable to refund tickets.

aren't going to follow her through the years if she treats us like this and doesn't even make up the [canceled] concerts," she said. Said Crane: "I don't really

know how the music business works, but she is responsible if she hired [FansRule]. We paid money on good faith." She recently obtained reimbursement from her credit card company, six months after the fact.

It has become regular practice for music acts to outsource their fan clubs to companies that run their Web sites, sell high-priced VIP concert tickets and offer an assortment of perks for paving members. But how did the fans of international stars like Aguilera end up left out in the cold - and for a summer tour, no less? Like many things, the answer begins with none other than the Grateful Dead, Decades ago, the Dead pioneered the idea of a club offering direct ticketing to their biggest

The business dramatically changed, though, in the '90s with the Dave Matthews Band. Manager Coran Capshaw saw a connection with fan clubs and the then-emerging Internet, which offered new ways for bands to con-nect with their fans beyond the ed or stepchild of the business says Capshaw, now the CEO of Musictoday, one of the largest fan

service businesses. FansRule was pushing to bring

fans even closer to their idols Founder and former CEO Neil Donahue, a venture capitalist and music producer, says his company was "pioneering in fan experi-

It specialized in getting fans front row and backstage as part of a "velvet rope experience

Brian Sikorski, CEO of Ticket-rends.com, said FansRule was an innovator in the highest growth area of the music business. Mike Lundgren, former chief operating officer of FansRule, says the comnany only went bankrupt because of "external financial reasons" which remain murky.

Baldiga, while running the company under bankruptcy law guideused all incoming money to pay FansRule's bills. He says the company was going "gangcompany was going "gang-busters" until the Aguilera tour cancellation.

After the non-tour, a proposition for over \$1 million in financing was turned down in bankruptcourt and Baldiga closed down FansRule for good. Hundreds of fans remain unpaid and their chances for reimbursement from FansRule look bleak. Ultimate resolution of FansRule's liquidation could run two to three years, says Jon Aquino, another bankruptcy trustee.

Aguilera has hired attorney Larry Green to help retrieve as much money as possible for her fans. He hopes the matter can be settled within a year.

Green says Aguilera "never saw a dime" of the tour ticket money, and is actually owed money in "mid-five figures." But he says he is seeking reimbursement for the fans, not Aguilera.

Whether these experiences will lose fans for Aguilera or Aerosmith remains to be seen. But it's clear that outsourced fan clubs will thrive regardless. Record laare beginning to sniff around, sensing a new revenue stream.

This business is just going to grow and grow," says Baldiga, even as he presides over the liqui-dation of FansRule. "It's the way of the future."

TUESDAY'S MARKET SUMMARY

INDEXES											
52- High	week Low	Name	Last	Net Chg			% Chg				
10,753.63	9,708.40	Dow Jones Industrials	10,440.58	-106.48	-1.01	13	+5.21				
3,748.05	2,743.46	Dow Jones Transportation	3,669.66	-37.59		+22.04	+25.63				
335.20	252.47	Dow Jones Utilities	319.07	-3.14	97	+19.55	+26.25				
7,108.61	6,087.23	NYSE Composite	7,014.72	-67.86	96	+8.92	+14.30				
1,417.41	1,105.38	Amex Index	1,389.61	-18.93	-1.34	+18.41	+23.57				
2,164.63	1,750.82	Nasdaq Composite	2,114.66	-36.59	-1.70	+5.56	+10.81				
1,197.46	1,053.41	S&P 500	1,177.07	-13.18	-1.11	+5.86	+11.03				
646.34	548.29	S&P MidCap	633.92	-9.04		+10.05	+13.38				
644.84	515.90	Russell 2000	625.50	-13.53		+12.32	+17.02				
11,788.44	10,244.15	DJ Wilshire 5000	11,582.10	-139.85	-1.19	+7.25	+12.16				
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Alliant Technosystem		16	65.52	-1.15	+13.4
Armor Holdings	-	27	41.38	-2.25	+57.3
Boeing	.80	16	53.75	-1.00	+27.6
Computer Sciences		19	56.48	-1.22	+27.7
Engineered Sup Sys	.04	22	54.35	-1.47	-1.3
General Dynamics	1.44	18	105.59	-3.10	+16.8
General Electric	.80	23	35.31	36	+14.0
Halliburton	.50		38.45	67	+47.9
Harris Corp.	.48	30	65.41	95	+72.4
Allied Signal	.75	21	34,59	68	+3.5
L-3 Communications	.40	22	74.35	84	+44.8
Lockheed Martin	1.00	22	60.21	-1.40	+17.1
NorthrpG s	.92	20	57.08	67	+19.4
Raytheon	.80	45	39.48	89	+31.4
Rockwell Intl.	.66	21	45,77	51	+28.6
Segua Corp.		34	56.70	24	+15.7
Texas Instruments	.10	25	25.01	28	-14.9
Textron Inc.	1.40	31	71.90	-1.21	+26.0
United Technologies	1.40	18	96.65	-1.35	+2.0

Fidelity Invest: Groinc	37.68	36	- 4
Fidelity Invest: GroCo	54.30	95	****
Amer Century Inv. Ultra	28.54	38	+
Fidelity Spartan: Egldx	41.90	46	+
Putnam Funds A: GrinA p	18.79	20	- 4
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Frank/Temp Frnk A: SMCpGrA	32.84	51	- 4
AIM Investments A: Const p	22.15	35	+
Fidelity Invest: USBI	11.18	+.01	4
Fidelity Invest: Ovrsea	34.42	27	+1
Fidelity Advisor T: GrOppT	29.88	35	- 4
Fidelity Advisor T: EoInT	28.00	25	4
Scudder Funds S: GroIncS	21.41	24	+
Putnam Funds A: GlbEqty p	8.12	09	- 4
AIM Investments A: WeingA p	12,70	16	4
AIM Investments A: ChartA p	12.51	11	- 4
Merrill Lynch I: BalCapl	27.77	21	- 4
Scudder Funds S: Intl FdS	43.22	17	+1
Fidelity Advisor T: OvrseaT	17.27	14	- 4
Lord Abbett A: DevGtA p	15.36	37	4
Scudder Funds S: Income S	12.98	+.01	+
Merrill Lynch I: USGvtMtg	10.33		+
Scudder Funds S: Devel	18.81	21	
Putnam Funds A: GIGvA p	13.23	+.01	+

EXCHANGE RATES

Bahrain (Dinas British pound

Canada (Dollar)	1.2075
Denmark (Krone)	5.5161
Egypt (Pound) Euro	6.23
Euro	\$1,3432/0,7445
Hong Kong (Dollar)	7.7699
Hungary (Forint)	183.62
Iceland (Krona) Israel (Shekel)	61.225
Israel (Shekel)	4.3516
Japan (Yen)	102.84
Kuwait (Dinar)	0.2946
Norway (Krone)	6.0405
Philippines (Peso)	56.02
Saudi Arabia (Riyal)	3.75
Singapore (Dollar)	1.6346
South Korea (Won) Switzerland (Franc)	1,041.80
Switzerland (Franc)	1.1405
Thailand (Baht)	39.20
Turkey (Lira) (Military exchange rate	1,300,009.00
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INTEREST RATES

Prime rate	5.0
Discount rate	3.0
Federal funds market rate	2.0
3-month bill ,	
30-year bond	4.8
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6	AFN-P	•ESPNews	Pacific Report	King of the Hill Bobby joins a Quiz Bowl team. (CC)	That '70s Show "We're Not Gonna Take It' Eric loses his job. (CC)	The Apprentice (C	C)	Survivor: Vanuatu, (CC)	Islands of Fire (N)	Pacific Report	The Tonight Show	(CC)	Late Show (CC)
7	AFN-ATL	(5:46) Oprah Win- frey (CC)	(:35) Guiding Light	(CC)	(:17) General Hos- pital (CC)	Headline News	Judge Judy (CC)	Today (CC)				Teacher's Pet (EI)	What's New Scoo by-Doo?
8	NEWS	Hardball With Chri	s Matthews	The O'Reilly Facto		Primetime Thursda	ay (CC)	Fox and Friends		Fox and Friends		American Morning	by-Doo?
9	SPORTS	•(5:00) College Ba cut at Massachuset	sketball Connecti-	 SportsCenter 		●Rodeo Wrangler I	National Finals. From	Las Vegas. (Taped)			 SportsCenter 		 NFL Game of the Week
10	SPEC	The Simpsons Sideshow Bob pur- sues a killer.	Everybody Loves Raymond Debra's sex drive. (CC)	Charmed Phoebe a spell that lets her te take over. (CC)	ocidentally casts a enage personality to	Boston Public A ra to shoot provocative on campus. (CC)	acy magazine plans e photos of a student	Blue Planet		Friends Monica and Chandler kiss. (CC)	Seinfeld George wonders about "Yada vada."	The Daily Show (CC)	Blind Date (CC)
	AFN-FAM	SpongeBob	Rugrats (CC)		Dave-Barbarian		Drake & Josh	That's So Raven	Sabrina-Witch	Switched! (CC)	Radio-Roscoe	The Cosby Show	Home Improve.
	AFN-MOV	H. Backstories (5:00) **: "Jon-	Ent. Tonight	* * "Can't Hardly \ ornberrys Movie" (2	Vait" (1998, Comedy		ritt, Ethan Embry. (1984, Drama) Kevin		homas Crown Affai		Pierce Brosnan. idowmaker" (2002, 1	** "Money Talks	
14	TMC	ah: A VeggieTales Movie"	Voices of Lacey Cha berry saves animals	abert, Tom Kane. Ani from evil poachers.	nated. Eliza Thorn- PG' (CC)	town teens fight for	their right to dance. I	PG' (CC)		Peter Sarsgaard. A (CC)	Soviet submarine's n	uclear reactor develo	ops a leak. 'PG-13'
24	PBS	and seek strate- gies. (EI)	Zoom (EI) (CC) (DVS)	The NewsHour Wit (CC)		Washington Week (N) (CC)	With Fortune (N) (CC)	Now With Bill Moy		Tucker Carlson: Unfiltered (N) (CC)	Journal Editorial Report (N) (CC)	Charlie Rose (N) (
25	SHOW	(5:15) **x "Legall White & Blonde" (: spoon, Sally Field.1	PG-13" (CC)	White. An unemploy	of Rock" (2003, Cor ed guitarist poses as	a teacher. 'PG-13' (CC)		Norman Rockwell I		dan Gleeson, Scott crisis of conscience		t detective faces a
27	A&E	Crossing Jordan *I Jane reports accide who assaulted her.	ntally killing the man	Crossing Jordan *I The body of a polition daughter is found w	ian's missinn	her father did not ki (CC)		bian drug lords and	villainous feds. (CC)		Ford, Willem Dafoe,		yan battles Colom-
28	DISC	To Be Announced		To Be Announced		Africa's Great Rivers	Africa's Great Rivers	Wild and Dangero		To Be Announced		To Be Announced	
29	TFC	Wazz Up Wazz Up	Star Circle Quest	Bida SI Mister, Bid	a Si Misis	(:05) Insider	Dong Puno Live		Balitang America (In Tagalog)	Morning Star	(:40) Masayang Tai	nghali Bayan	
30	CNN-I	Larry King Live (O		CNNI World News		Business Internati		Asia Tonight	Biz Asia	CNNI World News	●World Sport	Biz Asia	The Music Room
31	GOLF	lane, South Africa.		mpionship First Ro		•Golf Central	•European PGA G	olf dunhill champion	ship Second Roun	d. From Malelane, Sc	outh Africa. (Live)		●Big Break
32	TLC	What Not to Wear ' makes over Diana.	Diana" Friend (CC)	What Not to Wear ' gets a new look. (Ci	Matt' Radio host C)	What Not to Wear pounds. (CC)	"Ellyn" Ellyn lost 120	What Not to Wear	Melanie" (CC)	What Not to Wear clothes. (CC)	Dieter needs new	What Not to Wear pounds. (CC)	"Ellyn" Ellyn lost 120
34	TOON	Foster's Home for	Imaginary Friends	•	Teen Titans	Powerpuff Girls!	Cartoon Cartoon C	Cartoon shorts.	Looney Tunes	I Am Weasel	Sheep in the Big City	Detective Squad	
35	ANPL	Venom ER Patient venom; snake bites		Venom ER Children (CC)	bitten by snakes.	Venom ER Rattler hospital; public edu	victim flown to the cation. (CC)	Animal Cops Detre Dog has gaping ner	it "Backyard Battle" k wound. (CC)	Miami Animal Poli A freeway-crossing mile traffic backup i	ce "Freeway Gator" gator causes a 9- n Miami. (CC)	Venom ER Rattler hospital; public edu	
36	сом	Matthew Broderick,	Bueller's Day Off" Mia Sara, Jeffrey Jor an adventure in Chi	nes. A brash teen	** * "Rushmore" Williams. A teen ove	(1998, Comedy) Jas rachiever and a tyco	son Schwartzman, Bil oon vie for a teacher's	ll Murray, Olivia s love. (CC)	Jeff Foxworthy: To The comic makes o (CC)	tally Committed	South Park The Thanksgiving play has problems.	Drawn Together Foxxy mistaken for servant. (CC)	Drawn Together Clara searches for love. (CC)
40	NGC-A	When Nature Strik slides		Snake Wranglers Studying the water cobra.	"Radar Crocs"	Bilby Brothers: Th the Easter Bunny		Korea's Forbidden		Flooded Desert		Sunset Limited' Am killed 47 people in A	aster "Wreck of the trak's worst acciden Nabama.
42	SPIKE	** "The World Is tect a murdered ind	Not Enough" (1999 ustrialist's daughter. (, Action) Pierce Bros	nan, Sophie Marcea	u, Robert Carlyle. Ja	mes Bond must pro-	*** "Octopussy" planning world cond	(1983, Adventure) F	Roger Moore, Maud A	Adams, Louis Jourda	n. Agent James Bond	fights Russians
43	FOX	Remington Steele		St. Elsewhere (CC)			02, Comedy) Adam S naker inherits a fortur	Sandler, Winona Ryde	er, Peter Gallagher.	The Fox Report W	ith Shepard Smith	The Bob Newhart Show A minister seeks advice.	The Bob Newhart Show Emily fills in for Carol.
44	BET		Top 10 Live Mos De		BET.com Count- down	Walk of Fame Awar				Club Comic View I		BET Nightly News (CC)	BET Style
46	COURT	Body of Evidence: From the Case Files	Body of Evidence: From the Case Files	Cops Alleged sexu- al assault. (CC)	Cops Officer is nearly forced off the road. (CC)	The Investigators ' Couple drowns in a	"Troubled Waters" creek.	"Bad Medicine"	Forensic Files Surgeon's murder probed.	Forensic Files "In Her Bones"	I, Detective	The Investigators ' Women abandon in	'Abandoned at Birth fants.
48	STR-WLD	The Simpsons (CC)	The Drew Carey Show (CC)	Star News Focus Asia	Friends (CC)	●Wrestling		Stupid Behavior Caught on Tape (CC)	When Hidden Cameras Attack	Ultimate Force		Friends (CC)	Stupid Behavior Caught on Tape (CC)
50	LIFE	(5:00) ** "Christn town" (1996, Dram Tim Matheson, Trav	a) Melissa Gilbert.	hagen. A social wor	998, Drama) Bonnie ker forms a bond with	a mentally ill woma	ın. (CC)	miere. A woman fig	99, Drama) Farrah F nts to prevent the sal	awcett, Ashley Crow e of the family farmh	, Brad Johnson. Pre- ouse. (CC)	TV's Greatest Side of classic sitcoms re	kicks Original stars aunite. (CC)
51	ABCFAM		" A storm threatens	Smallville "Precipio trol and injures a co len's ex-boyfriend re	llege student; He- turns. (CC)	* * "Beautiful Girl Mark Consuelos. A (CC)	l" (2003, Comedy) M woman enters a bea	arissa Jaret Winokur, uty pageant to win a	Fran Drescher, honeymoon trip.	Whose Line Is It Anyway? Wigs. (CC)	Whose Line Is It Anyway? Sere- nade; rap song.	The 700 Club (CC)	
53	HIST	True Action Ad- ventures Great lost cities. (CC)	True Action Ad- ventures Discovery of treasure.	Modern Marvels "In Items descended fro tions. (CC)	iventions of War*	Investigating Histo young Colonial won N.Y. (N) (CC)	ory The death of a nan in Fort Edward,	Battlefield Detectiv British defeat in Ner		Band of Brothers	(CC)	(:05) True Story of Experiment (CC)	the Philadelphia
57	STR-MV	(5:10) Movie	(:45) Movie					Movie		•		(10:50) Movie	
58	ADV 1	(5:30) Skutsjesilen in Friesland	Into the Death Zon	e "Blow Out"	Egypt Mountain Bi Rey	ke Exodus - Hans	Out There Helping the blind see in Ethiopia.	•Lost		Skutsjesilen in Fri	esland	Next Wave Bud- dhism studied to save the world.	Out There Helping the blind see in Ethiopia.
59	мту	Boiling Points	Boiling Points	Boiling Points	Viva La Bam	Viva La Bam	Viva La Bam	Punk'd Julia Stiles; The Rock.	Punk'd Eve; Matthew Perry.	Punk'd Mike Shino- da.	Punk'd Carmen Electra and Dave Navarro.	Pimp My Ride	Pimp My Ride A 1985 Chevy Subur ban.
60	NICK	SpongeBob SquarePants (CC)	Rugrats Angelica makes Santa quit. (El) (CC)	Scaredy Camp	Scaredy Camp	Scaredy Camp	Scaredy Camp	Scaredy Camp	SpongeBob SquarePants (CC)	Invader Zim	Rugrats Angelica makes Santa quit. (EI) (CC)	The Fairly Odd- Parents (CC)	As Told by Ginger

JAPAN TV

Morning 7:30 Disney (12) Afternoon 5:50 News (6) Evening 7:00 NHK News (1)

9:00 Football Mundial (42) 10:00 News (1)

2:30 U.S. Movie (1999): Inferno: Coyote Moon (8) 2:45 CBS Documentary (6) 2:50 U.S. Movie (1977): Freaky Friday (1:50)(10)

3:10 British Movie (1989): Scandal (1:50)(12) 3:53 Soccer: Toyota Cup Preview (Eu-ropean/South American) — FC Porto vs. CD Once Caldas (4)

JAPAN TV-BS11

9:30 Aerobics Afternoon

3:45 Grand Gourmet: France Evening 7:00 NHK News

12:30 Classical Music: Verbier Music Festival (r)

JAPAN TV-BS7

6:15 World News

7:15 World News 8:15 World News 9:15 World News Hour

10:10 BS World Documentary: Global Cataclysm (3): Damaged Ecosystems (r) 11:15 CNN News

Afternoon 12:15 ABC News 12:35 PGA Tour Golf Lesson (4) 2:15 PBS NewsHour

3:15 CNN News 4:15 World News Hour 5:15 Asian News

6:15 CNN News 7:15 News Today: Asia 8:15 News Today: World 9:15 Economic News 10:10 World Reports

11:15 Figure Skating GP Series in Rus-12:10 Figure Skating SP Series in Rus-sia: Ice Dancing

1:10 2004-05 Bicycle Track World Cup. 1st Round, Moscow 2:15 Asian News

3:35 World Amazing Sports 5:10 World News Hour

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tal No. 1 1:55 French-Italian-U.S. Movie (1968): Candy (2:05) 4:00 UEFA Euro 2004 Soccer: Russia vs. Portugal (r)

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2:30 Pure Music 3:00 Top Choice 4:00 Top Choice Selection: New Art-ist 5:00 Screen Music Video Selection: 2004 Sound Track — Japanese and Foreign Movies

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7:00 Pocks

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No CIB in an Army of One

The infantry is doing all the work? I guess I am a little confused as to what war some of the recent letter writers are involved in. Last time I checked, there are more military police units than infantry in Irag. So why does the Combat Infantryman Badge have to remain an infan try-only item? I don't think the infantry is bearing the majority of the weight in any conflict any more. The infantry may not always have the most exciting missions while they are deployed, but neither do the MPs, who are also deployed more often and spend longer periods in dangerous

If the Army wants to continue to use non-infantry units for major offensives and majority of operations, it needs to consider changing the regulations as to who is authorized to be awarded the CIB. Why would a truck driver who has seen more action on the streets of Iraq be denied the CIB? An infantry soldier only has to be under fire once during his entire deploy-ment to earn his CIB — while a truck driver or medic could be under the same type of fire on a daily basis and not be given the award

I thought the Army motto was "An Army of One." Does that not mean we are all the same? Are we not all equal and all trained in the same art of war in basic training? Then why is there a double standard for a non-infantry soldier who incurs the same types of and severity of battles that an infantry soldier does?

Sgt. Jeremiah Tuzzio Baghdad

U.S. helping Afghan people

No matter where we have been over the course of our lives, we have learned many things. What we have learned can be used to help others grow, to heal the wounds of the planet, to leave a legacy of a better world.

There are many people today working toward a different world, a world of cooperation and compassion. They look at the world from the perspective of the power of love to heal and the idea that we can do whatever we think and set out to do, and do it with compassion.

Whenever war breaks out in any part of the world, it affects the children the most During the last decade, children worldwide have been killed as a result of war. children have been disabled, left homeless and psychologically traumatized as a result of war

Every so often, a child is blown up as a result of more than 10 million land mines planted all over Afghanistan. One-third of Afghanistan's land-mine victims are estimated to be children. Those children who survive a trauma of a mine incident are a burden on their families and require extensive medical care, rehabilitation and, most important, economic support throughout their lives

In helping the Afghan people rebuild

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their country, we have placed a central focus on education. Under the Taliban re-gime, educating women was a criminal act. Under the new government of a liberated Afghanistan, educating all children is a national priority. Still, there are children in this country, children all over the globe, who lack the necessary clothes to go to school; children who lack notebooks, pencils, pens, books, etc., which is leading to a poor quality of education.

We have helped Afghanistan repair its roads and bridges. We're rebuilding its health clinics and schools. The young girls and boys of Afghanistan will have the op portunity to get the education they deserve. This is a remarkable moment in the history of Afghanistan, and a proud moment for the American people to know that we made a difference in a time of war. Through the help and the support of the home front, our Outreach Program is to bring a brighter future of freedom, hope opportunity to Afghan families and children.

America has been extremely generous in helping the children of Afghanistan. The brave servicemen and women of the military will continue al-Qaida and the Taliban and, even as we fight terror. American compassion is providing an alternative to hitterness resentment and hatred

> Staff Sgt. Lynn Irvin Bagram, Afghanistan

Evolution is still a theory

I would like to peacefully protest the publishing of the article "Study: Running key to human evolution" in the Nov. 20 Stars and Stripes. In this article, the reporter provides "suggestions" gathered from observations and "2 million-year-old fossils" that the success of human beings as endurance runners "may be key to our early anatomical evolution, according to new review of past research.

The reporter assumes the theory of evolution is fact. Please note: I wrote "theory instead of "fact." To date, evolution is still a theory, as creationism (man created by a higher power vs. evolving) is another theory. In fact, in the past 20 years, scientists have uncovered data that create discon-

nects in the original theory of evolution and the "big bang" theory. Using critical-thinking skills and being

educated on the theory of evolution. I see this article is also a prime example of how the media manipulate belief systems. This article is obviously pro-evolution; however, the article again misrepresents a theory as fact. I wonder if an article speaking to evidence found supporting creationism, as a fact, were submitted for publishing, would the editors of Stars and Stripes or the audience protest?

On the other hand, and on a more positive note, I do appreciate the description of the wonder of the human body and how it can work by design.

Tech Sgt. Kimberly Mann Aviano Air Base, Italy

Different view of Jesus

Dear confused in Greensboro, N.C.: Your comments in the Nov. 17 letter "Jesus was a liberal" were completely uneducated, ignorant and irrational. You write as if every conservative believes in slavery, segregation and child labor, and doesn't want equal rights. I know the media and Hollywood want you to believe that, but it's just not true. Good ole Abe Lincoln did free the slaves. Then there is G Gordon Liddy, Michael Savage and Ronald Reagan. But who needs them when you have Hillary Clinton. Al Sharpton and 99 percent of San Francisco.

Now, you must have my Jesus confused with another Jesus, because my Jesus is stern. He believes in an eye for an eye, you reap what you sow, and the Ten Commandments. My Jesus will show you the wrath of the almighty God if you hurt his people, for example: Egypt, the Roman Empire and Germany. Now that's my Jesus.

Also in response to the pre-emptive war statement: Were Sept. 11, the attack on the USS Cole, countless numbers of embassy bombings and hijackings not enough? "Only the dead have seen the end of war" Plato.

> Senior Airman Tim Brittain Iraq

A separate comparison

I have heard and read quite a bit of rhetoric both for and against the American Civil Liberties Union recently. There is, however, one thing both sides should bear in mind: Although our Founding Fathers were strongly supportive of the separation of church and state, they were not strongly supportive of the separation of God and state - no matter what you choose to call Him (Allah, God, Yahweh, etc.). Master Sgt. Ski Gruver

Spangdahlem Air Base Germany

BY GARRY TRUDEAU

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OPINION

A pat-down of TSA procedures is in order

ecent news coverage regarding the new pat-down procedure used by passenger screeners of the Transportation Security Adminis tration focuses on two primary issues: the embarrassment of passengers who feel un comfortable going through the procedure in public and reports of screeners performing the procedure inconsistently. I am a federal security screener at Baltimore-Washington International Airport, and I face the frustrations experienced by the traveling public

But the media reports leave out one important element: training.

It's not surprising that travelers face apparently inconsistent searches by passenger screeners when you consider the TSA's neg ligence in complying with the congressional mandate that screeners receive three hours of training each week.

We are subjected to recertification testing and screeners are dismissed if they fail a computer test on TSA policies. We also are subjected to testing on pat-downs by Lockheed Martin Corp. workers as a condition of keeping our jobs. But it seems that the only time training is taken seriously is before this

Before each shift, screeners attend a briefing, which goes down in the books as training time. In my case, on C Pier at BWI, 25 to 30 screeners attend a briefing in a room that measures 12 by 14 feet; most are standing and at least 10 of us have to listen from outside the door. Many trainers seem unprepared for questions and appear to have no training experience. Some are downright belligerent. Recently, when a screener complained that a new procedure for detecting he was told that he took the job knowing it in volved risks and that if we didn't follow each procedure, we could be terminated without notice. Eventually, the trainer burst into tears as screeners' continued questioning.

That is an extreme case, though. Typically, we are told that trainers are simply reading the briefing materials when they answer our questions, indicating to me they don't understand the information themselves.

The TSA will not allow screeners time off from their checkpoints for training because many airports are severely understaffed. The agency did not plan properly for the loss, a little over a year ago, of nearly half its screening work force to the task of inspecting checked baggage. Moreover, although our federal security director recently was awarded a \$20,000 bonus, the TSA apparently lost its training rooms at BWI because it was unable to pay rent on them. .

The new personnel system has caused an attrition rate of more than 20 percent this year, according to sources inside the agency Who would want a job in which you are told you have to be perfect every time or people may die? Who would want a job in which passengers can be belligerent and, at times, may physically assault screeners, while management appears to be primarily concerned sengers' customer service experience? We are not covered by most laws that protect the federal work force

We are not permitted collective bargaining rights, although the Transportation Security Administration is officially neutral on private screeners having such rights. This leaves screeners vulnerable to cronvism, favoritism and arbitrary disciplinary actions - just the sort of abuses the civil service system was created to prevent. Incredibly, the



TSA's parent agency, the Department of Homeland Security, is considering a similar personnel system.

The problem is not a lack of technology The problem is not a federalized work force. The problem is the personnel system. President Bush opposed the creation of the TSA until a provision was written into the law creating an experimental "merit"-based performance system. I am not aware of any screener who has received a merit raise in the agency's brief history.

It is time for Congress to step up and take its oversight role seriously. A full investiga-

tion of the new personnel system should be conducted. Screeners should be permitted to provide testimony without fear of retribution. Are they receiving adequate training? Is the new personnel system meeting the expectations of Congress

The next time you feel that a pat-down is intrusive or that a screener seems frustrated or even unprofessional, let the supervisor know. But also, let Congress know that it is time to provide real oversight.

Ron Moore is a federal security screener working at Baltimore-Washington International Airport in Linthicum, Md., and president of Local 1 of the American Federation of Government Employees. This column first appeared in The Washington Post.

Military service deserves a position of privilege

Philadelphia-based Foreign Policv Research Institute held a conference Monday on the future of reserve military forces. The site was the Union League club

Jack Kelly



"The classic French Renaissance-style League House, which occupies an entire city block in the center of Philadelphia's com-merce and cultural district, is listed in the Na tional Historic Regis ' says the League's Web site. Being inside the club reminded me of

elite has degenerated. The Union League was founded in 1862 to support the policies of President Lincoln. On the walls are portraits of prominent Philadelphians who gave their lives fighting for the Union. There are also plaques of members who died fighting in World Wars I and II. You can find similar plaques at Ivy League colleges

I saw no plaque honoring Union League members who died fighting in Vietnam and subsequent conflicts. Nor, I dare say, are there such monuments at Harvard or Yale.

For much of our history, those who have benefited most from living in America felt a special obligation to keep her safe and free. But the most privileged among us are now the Americans least likely to serve, and least likely to express gratitude to those who do.

This has long been a burr under the saddle of one of the presenters at the FPRI conference, Northwestern University professor Charles Moskos, America's most prominent military sociologist. Charlie was drafted into

the Army in the late 1950s, benefited from the experience, and thinks others of Ameri-ca's "best and brightest" would as well. Moskos would love to have the draft rein.

stated but recognizes that this is not going to happen. So he's touting a 15-month enlistment option for the armed forces that would be appealing to college students. In exchange for their service, volunteers would receive generous education benefits or repayment of outstanding student loans

I think he's on the right track. My draft number was 363. I'd have gone after women and children. But I dropped out of law school to join the Marines as a private. I had a bunch of reasons - good, bad and indifferent - for doing so. But I was doing some thing my parents and my classmates regard-

What pushed me over the edge was the

Bill. I wouldn't have joined if I had to sign up for four years or more, or if I didn't have the rationalization that I could always finish law school on the GI Bill

As it turned out, I loved the Corps. It was the best experience of my life. I spent 14 years in the Marine and Army reserves.
We don't need to compel the service of the

elite to have an outstanding military. But we ought to encourage it. Moskos' plan for a 15-month enlistment would work for military occupation specialties such as military police and infantry where extensive training is not required, if it were coupled with four years of obligated service in a drilling reserve unit. Reserve service is a wonderful part-time job for college students.

Moskos' plan could be advanced by termi-

nating what he calls "the GI Bill without the

terest loans and, sometimes, grants to col-lege students in exchange for, well, nothing. The government should provide benefits only in return for service

This is a sensible reform, but it wouldn't have much impact on the most privileged.

In Robert Heinlein's novel "Starship Troopers." only veterans could vote. That goes too far. But suppose we made it a requirement for holding federal elective office that candidates for the House and Senate must have an honorable discharge from the U.S. armed forces? Those who are unwilling to serve should not be permitted to lead.

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BY BRUCE TINSLEY

Mallard Fillmore



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Gay policy rethought

west Jordan — A principal who wants gay couples to get permission slips from their parents before they can attend school dances promised to re-evaluate the policy after protesters held four days of montests.

of protests.
Copper Hills High
School Principal Tom
Worlton issued the
policy last month
but agreed to revisit it. He said he
saw the policy as a way to alert the
parents to the dangers their chil-

dren might face.

Worlton said the policy stemmed from students' concerns about notential harassment.

workton said he will make a decision on the policy in time for the

Fatal mining accident

NV ELY — Two men doing maintenance work on the shovel of a large excavator were killed when the shovel's lid fell and crushed them at an open-pit copper mine near this remote east-central Nevada town.

The owner of the Robinson

The owner of the Robinson Mine, Quadra Mining Ltd., and the workers' employer, Washington Group International, released no further details. The victims' names were not released.

"This is a close-knit community and something like this takes the heart out of everybody," said Martin Sorenson, chief of the Ruth Volunteer Fire Department.

The accident is under investigation by the U.S. Mine Safety and Health Administration.

Taser death

METAIRIE — A man sheriff's deputies had shot twice with a stun gun died, a day after he was pulled over for driving erratically, officials said.

Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office spokesman John Fortunato said Patrick Fleming died at a hospital. Officers had used a Taser stun gun on him twice when he fought with them — once after the traffic stop and then later at the jail.

Fortunato said Fleming, 35, was hospitalized after officers zapped him a second time and his breathing became labored. A records check found that Flem-

ing was wanted on a charge of criminal neglect of family. Fleming also had a history of resisting arrest and arrests for possession of coca leaves, crack cocaine and marijuana.

Mandatory history?

ANCHORAGE — The state
Board of Education will decide this week whether to require
high school students to take a
course in Alaska history before
graduating. The Anchorage School
District already requires its students take a state history course,
while other districts offer some
form of the class as an elective.

Teacher charged

SOUTH HAVEN — A teacher and a 14-year-old former female student whom she is accused of sexually assaulting participated in witchcraft together and even "wed" in a pagan ritual, police said.

Elizabeth Miklosovic, 36, a teach-

Elizabeth Miklosovic, 36, a teacher at South Haven's Baseline Middle School, was arraigned on a



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charge of first-degree criminal sexual conduct.

If convicted, Miklosovic faces a

maximum sentence of life in prison.

Miklosovic, a seventh-grade language arts teacher, lives with another woman and their adopted son, authorities said. She was placed on leave from her job.

New town plan

AZ CASA GRANDE — A citizens group is proposing creation of Chisholm, a new city that would include hundreds of square miles of now-unincorporated areas of western Pinal County. Supporters say the new city is needed to help regulate and plan for growth as new housing developments are built, many for people working in the Phoenix metropolitan area.

No more arguing

TRENTON — Lawyers and federal judges in New Jersey are preparing to argue over new rules that would largely outlaw... arguing.

The rules would apply to civil cases, where some judges of the U.S. District Court of New Jersey think the verbal exchanges are a waste of time.

If the changes are adopted, judges would not schedule argument days to debate motions, and the word "argument" could even be de-



Here fishy, fishy
Mitch Simpson, a fisheries biologist with the Maine Atlantic Salmon
Commission, hoists a salmon out of
the Veazie Dam salmon trap on the
Penobscot River.

leted from the rules.
Instead, lawyers
would be required to
have a hearing request
accepted by a judge.
Lawyers say it would

set a perilous precedent.
All district judges will
vote on the rules changes,
with a majority needed for
ratification. A vote has not yet
been scheduled.

Plane's water landing

FL AVENTURA — The crew of a decades-old cargo plane put the aircraft down in a lake in a Miami suburb after it developed engine trouble, avoiding high-rise buildings in the dense-ly populated area, then were rescued from the floating fuselage.

The Miami Air Lease plane — with the misspelled message "Eelect George W. Bush" running the length of the fuselage — had trouble with one of its two engines shortly after takeoff, said company office manager Alina Nodarse.

The pilots tried to return the Convair CV-340 to the Opa-locka airport about seven miles away but couldn't make it and splashed down in Maule Lake, said Federal Aviation Administration spokesman Chris White.

Crews surrounded the plane with an inflatable dike to contain any leaking oil. Trapped air kept the plane afloat and emergency crews planned to add air bags for additional buoyancy.

Flu shot 'fund-raiser'

MINNEAPOLIS A woman who allegedly sold flu shots then fled when her credentials were questioned was giving people the real vaccine, and was trying to raise money for her daughter's school fund-raiser, her ex-husband said.

Michelle Lynn Torgerson, 33, was arrested on suspicion of theft and drug possession, said police Capt. Rich Stanek.

Chad Torgerson told the St. Paul Pioneer Press that faculty and students at Augsburg College in Minneapolis paid his ex-wife \$20 each for flu shots. He said she used the proceeds for an American Heart Association fund-raising drive at their 9-year-old daughter's school.

Repair shop explodes

MATHIAS — A natural gas line to an automobile repair shop exploded, leveling the building, shattering windows for miles and sending as many as five people to hospitals.

No deaths were reported. The identities and conditions of the injured were unavailable. Although officials don't know what caused the explosion, they said a gas line feeding the shop had been leaking.

Part of state Route 259 remained closed and several hundred residents who live within a one-mile radius of the shop remained evacuated the next day, said Paul Lewis, Hardy County's emergency services director.

Temporary shelters were set up at the northeast community's high school and middle school. Telephone service to the area was knocked out by the blast.

"It was a pretty wicked explosion," said Thomas VanMeter, who had finished making a delivery to the auto shop moments before the blast. "There had been a gun shop upstairs over the garage, and I could hear the bullets going off."



Scare tactics Curtis Sharp, 8, tries to scare a duck into the water at a park in Lubbock, Texas.



Move those feet From left to right, Brenner Fontenlle, Craig Martin and Solon Spruce perform during the Iroquois Social Dance Participatory Program at the Native American Winter Festival in Brighton, N.Y.



Baby Claus Four-month-old Monae Fickens, dressed in a toddler Santa suit, is held by her mother, Ashia Frasier, as Tony "The Peanut Man" Wright sings a song to sell peanuts during the 24th annual Charleston Christmas Parade in Charleston, S.C.



Woman overboard! Kristin McEnroe, 13, of Duluth, Minn., leaps off the plank during the National Walk-the-Plank Championship staged in Key West, Fla. The event tall ships, buccaneers' living history encampments and the re-enactment of an 18th-century pirate trial.



Pampered pooches Jean Jameson grooms Lexy, a Shih Tzu owned by Eileen Nichols of Mahwah, N.J., during The Bay Colony Cluster Dog Show in Boston, as another Shih Tzu named Callie, owned by Jennifer Miller of Wenonah, N.J., looks on at left.



Yay, pretty colors
Sitting on the roof of a Battle
Creek restaurant, Sponge Bob
Squarepants seems excited
watching balloons fly over during
the 6th annual Holiday Balloonfest
in Battle Creek, Mich.



Fake explosion a blast to see Congress Street in Tucson, Ariz., is set ablaze with an explosion during the filming of Stephen King's miniseries "Desperation" as hundreds gather to watch and feel the blast.

Jury spares man's life

KS KANSAS CITY — A jury recommended a life sentence for a man convicted of killing five people in retaliation for the robbery and beating of his mother, sparing him the death penalty.

The same jury convicted Darrell Stallings two weeks before on five counts of capital murder and other charges in the June 2002 shooting rampage. Prosecutors said none of the victims was involved in the attack on Stallings' mother. Stallings. 34. who is scheduled

for sentencing in January, apologized to the families of each victim. "I am truly sorrowful for the pain and related tribulations I

pain and related tribulations I have caused you all," he said. He said he had no excuses for the crimes, but was confused and delusional because of the attack on his mother two months earlier.

Another man, Errik Harris, 28, is also charged in the deaths, but his trial date has not been set.

Costco theft charges

NASHUA — An 18-year-old Massachusetts man faces felony theft charges for allegedly emptying several large cereal boxes at a Costco, filling the boxes with electronic equipment and paying the clerk only for the ce-

Nashua police arrested Christopher Booze of Dracut after he and a juvenile were detained by store security.

Police said Booze left the store with a digital camera, GPS system and a computer hard drive worth \$800 inside the resealed cereal boxes.

School renovations

EMPORIA — A group of Emporia citizen has raised about \$20,000 to renovate a former segregated school for blacks. Citizens United to Preserve the Greensville Training School has received approval of preliminary plans for the school. The group is working with a class of architecture students from the University of the county will be considered to the county will appear to the county of the cou

Bladder patrol

PA PITTSBURGH — Officers Matt Turko and Tom Weger are on Pittsburgh's bladder beat.

Since November 2003, Turko and Weger have patrolled the city's South Side, one of the country's oldest Victorian-era shopping districts in the country by day—but one of the city's best places to drink at night. They bust bladder-heavy revelers looking for relief in alleys, the sides of houses and in dark corners.

Turko and Weger have handed out more than 220 citations for public indecency. Emptying your bladder in the wrong place can also empty your wallet. Each ticket comes with a \$300 fine.

Chancellor resigns

MO KANSAS CITY — The chancellor of the University of Missouri-Kansas City resigned after clashing with faculty over such issues as a \$500,000 consulting fee she paid to a friend.

Martha Gilliland, 60, said she was stepping down so the school

can "move forward and achieve great progress without distraction." She will keep her tenured position as a professor in the university's school of engineering.

Last month, faculty groups in arts and sciences, law, business and biology cast no-confidence votes in Gilliland, who took the post four years ago.

D.C. mayor heads league

WASHINGTON — Washington Mayor Anthony Williams won election as president of the National League of Cities, becoming the first D.C. mayor to assume the top post in a national organization of municipal officials.

The league counts more than 18,000 cities and towns among its members and lobbies for their interests on Capitol Hill and throughout the federal government.

At his swearing-in, Williams promised to pursue "an advocacy agenda" focused on homeland security, education, public safety and affordable housing.

Concerns cancel tour

Mormon Tabernacle Choir has canceled its planned tour of northern Europe next year because of concerns about terrorism, and the choir will instead tour the Northwest.

The 360-voice choir was scheduled to make a summer tour by ship of Denmark, Sweden, Norway and Finland.

However, Gordon B. Hinckley, president of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, decided the trip would make the group an easy target for terrorists.

The tour was first changed to England, Scotland and Wales, with a stopover in Paris. But that, too, was deemed too dangerous and now the choir will visit cities in northern California, Oregon, Washington, Nevada and Idaho.

Living at work

OR HALSEY — Some workers seem to live at the office, but the principal at Central Linn High School really does.

Michael Bremont, 31, routinely spends 80 hours a week on the job, arriving well before school starts each morning and leaving long after the final bell.

Frustrated by how little he was seeing his family, Bremont approached his district superintendent last year with an unusual request. He wanted to live in an unused building on campus. District officials loved the idea

and spent \$2,000 renovating the place. Bremont pays \$500 a month in rent, plus his electricity costs, so the district has made back what it spent.

"It's been really wonderful," he

said.

Union strike averted

HARTFORD — Members of
the machinists' union at
jet-engine maker Pratt & Whitney
voted overwhelmight against going
on strike. Under the negotiating
on strike. Under the negotiating
utles, rejection of a strike means the
latest three-year contract proposal
takes effect. It includes a 3.5 percent raises in the first year and 3 percent raises in the second and third
years as well as a \$1,500 signing
bonus per worker.

Stories and photos from wire services

Horoscope

This morning, the moon joins the sun's party in Sagittarius, and energies line up to prepare for tomor-

ges inle du to prepare for ton row's compelling new moon. Getting the most of this powerful transit requires introspection and personal time. Figure out the area in your life you'd most like to improve, and be ready to take your first action to that end tomorrow.

end fomorrow.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY
(December 10). You'll
succeed where others have
failed! Ingenuity takes you
into new territories this year.

Leap into a romance this month — you're especially compatible with Libra and Tarurs. Couples embark on a joint mission that isn't easy, but the gold at the end is well worth the adventure. Education gives you a new way to make money this spring.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You are moving from a grandiose vision to the implementation of specific objectives. Roll up your sleeves — you're in for some fun! Beware of someone who gives a compliment and asks for a favor at the same time.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Maybe your ambitions are veering away from your original idea, but who's to say your new aims won't be more fun to accomplish anyhow? Be willing to see yourself as someone with talents the world has yet to

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). If you've got the network to make things happen, they happen all right. So instead of focusing on doing everything yourself, get out there and do what you do best — schmoozel Be sure to collect contact information on new people.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Your friends are your wealth. You may think you don't have time to make any more, but the stars disagree and send new prospects your way. Your habit of giving people more than they expect pays off big

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You are cheeky, experimental, zany to the extreme. You'll either be lauded as a

genius or wind up in somebody's "Fashion Don't" file. Either way, your attitude attracts the best and the brightest to you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).
Get rid of the worn-out things in your life — clothes household items and

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emotional baggage. You're anything but sentimental now, so it's the ideal day to purge. Just make sure the stuff is nowhere you can go

retrieve it tomorrow. LIBRA (Sept.

23-Oct. 23). Calls come from people who are in the know about the latest research, the way you're supposed to be

doing your job, the technology you're not up on, but it's all a distraction. You've got a handle on things. Just concentrate.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).
Your social status is on the rise, and so is your confidence. The nervous energy has left your body. Say something positive about someone behind his or her back. It will be obvious the praise is cenuine.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You're in a time crunch. The only way to get it all done is to condense every encounter to its pure essence — no time for gossip or waffling! Do keep all appointments, though — there are hidden costs to not doing so.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Levely is the theme. You're aware that life can be lived at many levels of consciousness. You feel freer to fly and dip into various mental states now that you aren nto so wormed about your own security. Authorities of the control of a disinterested party — but that's the thing that's going to help you the most. Maing a decision from a feverishly excited state is to nisk.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Your ESP tells you change is on its way. To keep your emotional balance, you detach. Part of you is getting ready to sever a tie, and the other part isn't sure if it's going to let you follow through. By Sunday, one side wins.

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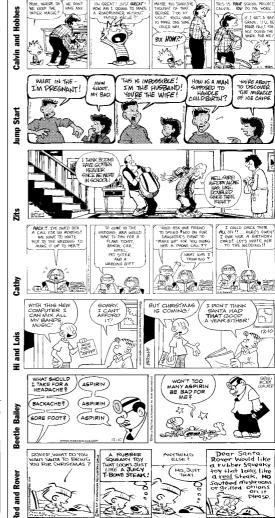


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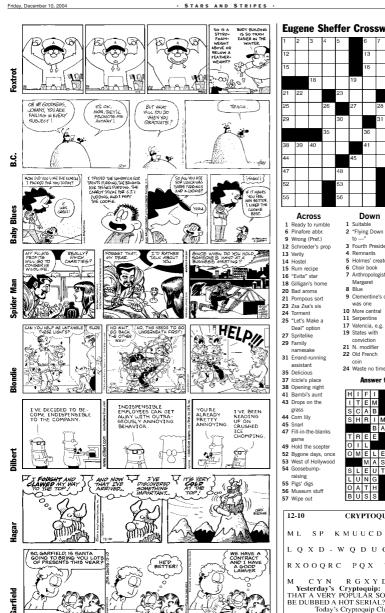
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THE STUDENTS

Should adult actress lie about job?

Dear Abby: I star in adult films. I am not ashamed of what I do, but sometimes other people's reaction to my profession can be

severe.

I am trying to get my 4-year-old daughter, "Ashley," accepted into an exclusive religious day care.

an exclusive religious day of The problem is that on the application I am to state my profession, as well as her father's. My husband, "Rex." is also in

Illibarid, T., State the adult film industry.

Rex thinks we should just lie. I want my daughter to be accepted, but I know Ashley will be turned down if they find out we lied on the application. What do you think?

— "Tempest" in L.A. Dear Tempest: You don't have to lie. State that you are in the movie business. Just don't mention that the movies you're in are "blue," and cross your fingers that you don't run into any fans.

Dear Abby: Our 31-year-old son is being married soon in the

Midwest. We would like to know what our financial responsibilities are — if any — regarding the costs of the wedding, in light of the following:

 Our travel expenses will be about \$1,500, plus an additional \$500 for hotel and food

> 2. Although 100 guests are invited, we do not know them, as they are all friends and relatives of the bride

relatives of the bride and her parents.

3. We are giving our

son and his bride a gift of \$1,000. 4. We have no say in the planning of the

wedding.
We want to do what is right, but we don't want to pay unless tradition

or etiquette demands it.

— Puzzled Parents in Oregon
Dear Puzzled Parents: Although it is not obligatory, it is
customary for the groom's parents to host the rehearsal dimer
the night before the wedding. The
bride's mother can help you
select an appropriate restaurant.

Dear Abby: Two former teachers made an incredible impact on my life. Both encouraged me to stretch far beyond what I thought possible for myself.

A few months ago, I finally contacted my old high school to see if I could locate them. To my dismay, I learned that one had been killed in a car accident the year before, and the other had gone to the hospital last spring and passed away without ever going home.

I feel terrible. I never had the chance to tell two wonderful people how much they mattered. Please urge your readers to stop right now and make that call. We may never have the chance again

— Too Late in Cleveland
Dear Too Late: That's a lesson
I'm sorry you learned the hard
way. Kind thoughts are meant to
be shared; they do no one any
good if you keep them to your-

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Unscramble these four Ju one letter to each square



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Answer here: "

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THE (Answers tomorrow)

EXERT LIMBO FROLIC SUCKLE
When the pigeons invaded the town square,
they brought a — "FLOCK" OF TROUBLE

Yesterday's

Older woman has no desire for sex

Dear Annie: I am in my 50s and happily married to my wonderful husband, "Bart," for 30 years. For a long time now I have suffered from a problem that he does not have, namely a total

lack of desire for sex.

Since I entered menopause, the problem has gotten worse. I've been to doctors who say there is

nothing physically wrong. I've been on hormone-replacement therapy for a couple of years to alleviate some of my menopausal symptoms, but it hasn't helped with this particular problem. I tried counseling, but Bart said it wasn't doing any good and it was very time-consuming, so I stopned.

I have read books and magazine articles on the subject, and used some home remedies.

We used to make love nearly every day, but in the past couple years, his desire has toned down quite a bit, so now we average only two or three times a week.



— Need a Solution, Please
Dear Need a Solution: You should know that two or three times a week at your age is above the national average and if our mail.

a week at your age is above the national average, and if our mail is any indication, you're getting a lot more than many of our readers. Remedies for a woman's lack of libido still

are in the developmental stage. If your doctor can't help you, ask him or her to refer you to someone who specializes in female sexuality, or contact the American Association of Sex Educators, Counselors & Therapists (AASECT), P.O. Box 5488, Richmond, VA 33220-0488 (aa-

sect.org)

Dear Annie: I am sick to death of reading letters from people who are complaining abour not getting a gift or a card for something. So what? Maybe some people are not financially able to purchase a gift. Maybe they thought showing up to a wedding and saying congratulations in person was better than

lations in person was better than sending a card.
People put way too much emphasis on money. I always have thought showers, weddings and birthday parties were more about celebrating the occasion than

receiving gifts.

I have avoided events when I could not afford to bring a present, which is a shame.

present, which is solution. Please Dear No Girls. Most brides are happy to welcome any guest who cannot give a present because he or she is financially strapped. Keep in mind, however, that a shower is an event specifically designed to the control of the contro

by all means, go.
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Far Side

Family Circus



'... Then I could start practicin' with lipstick."

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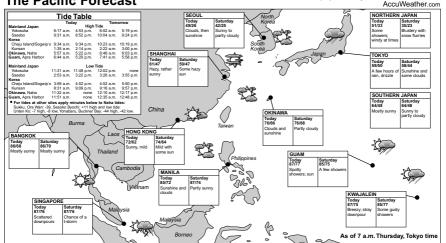


"Okay. Here's another little ditty we can all sing. Of course, as always, the only words are "ribbit, ribbit, ribbit,"



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Extended Forecasts

TOKYO

TOKYO Sunday: Periods of clouds and sunshine, high 56, low 47.

Monday: Partly sunny

high 56, low 44.

KADENA Sunday: Sho

Sunday: Showers, high 76, low 66. Monday: Showers, high 74, low 64

SEOUL

Sunday: Periods of clouds and sunshine, high 41, low 22. Monday: Periods of clouds and sunshine, high 40, low 28.

MANILA

Sunday: Partly sunny, high 87, low 74. Monday: Periods of clouds and sunshine, high 87, low 74.

HAGATNA

Sunday: Showers, high 85, low 77. Monday: Periods of clouds and sunshine, high 87, low 77.

Wednesday's USA Temperatures

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CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW
Albuquerque	47/33	Los Angeles	61/50
Amarillo	62/37	Little Rock	62/46
Anchorage	24/13	Louisville	56/42
Asheville	64/40	Miami	84/72
Baltimore	63/34	Milwaukee	43/36
Birmingham	69/57	Nashville	61/46
Bismarck	38/25	New York	59/40
Boise	46/35	Omaha	49/32
Boston	57/34	Orlando	85/64
Brownsville	83/62	Philadelphia	62/37
Buffalo	47/34	Phoenix	64/48
Burlington	45/26	Pittsburgh	51/36
Charleston, S	C 76/55	Portland, OR	52/46
Charlotte	73/48	Portland, ME	42/23
Cleveland	50/36	Salt Lake City	
Columbus, Ol-	1 52/37	St. Louis	56/43
Duluth	32/28	San Antonio	69/49
El Paso	59/40	San Diego	63/54
Hartford	57/29	San Juan	84/74
Helena	48/33	Tampa	83/66
Indianapolis	51/38	Tulsa	64/40
Jacksonville	82/60	Washington	64/44
Kansas City	54/38	Wichita	56/35



U.S. Extended Forecast An area of low pressure will slide

across the Ohio Valley Friday. Rain will dampen much of the mid-Atlantic states, as well as the lower Great Lakes Showers and thunderstorms will line up along a cold front in the Southeast. Flurries will be found over the Upper Midwest. The jet stream will push more moisture into the Pacific Northwest. Rain will fall in Seattle and Portland and several inches of snow will accumulate over the Cascades. High pressure over the Rockies will keep the rest of the West dry. Over the weekend, unsettled weather will continue in the Northwest The Southwest will have very pleasant conditions with ahundant sunshine.

Friday's Pacific Temperatures

Friday's World Temperatures

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Yokosuka - 1991 Chevy Ca mero: 305: Automatic: dua

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ortland. AFN-Sports, 3 p.m.—NBA: Inside the NBA. AFN-Sports, 5 p.m.—College basketball connecticut at Massachusetts (dld).

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ate. AFN-Sports, 12:30 p.m.—NBA: Portland at AFN-Sports, 5 p.m.—College basketball: Al-abama-Birmingham at Oklahoma State AFN-Sports, 11 p.m.—NBA: Portland at Jtah (did).

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College basketball

Men's AP Top 25 fared

Tuesday Illinois (7-0) did not play. Next: at Geor getown, Thursday.

2. Kansas (4-0) did not play. Next: vs. Texas Christian, Thursday.

3. Georgia Tech (5-0) did not play. Next: vs. Air Force. Saturday. Air Force, Saturday. 4. Syracuse (7-1) lost to No. 5 Oklahoma State 74-60. Next: vs. Binghamton, Saturday. 5. Oklahoma State (6-0) beat No. 4 Syra-cuse 74-60. Next: vs. Alabama-Birmingham,

riday. 6. Wake Forest (6-1) did not play. Next: at emple. Monday.

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 11. Pittsburgh (6-0) beat Memphis 70-51. Next: at Penn State, Saturday.

12. North Carolina State (6-0) did not play. 12. North Carolina State (6-0) did not play. Next: vs. Liberty, Saturday. 13. Louisville (4-1) did not play. Next: at Florida, Saturday. 14. Texas (6-1) beat North Texas 86-57. Next: vs. Texas-Arlington, Wednesday, Dec.

Arizona (5-2) did not play. Next: vs.

Next: vs. Arkańsas-Little Rock, Saturday. 23. Maryland (4-2) did not play. Next: vs. North Carolina-Asheville, Sunday. 24. Wisconsin (5-1) beat Wisconsin-Green Bay 65-55. Next: at Marquette, Saturday. 25. Gonzaga (6-1) beat Washington State 54-52. Next: vs. Saint Louis, Saturday.

Tuesday's men's scores

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TANK MCNAMARA

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Bethany 87, Hood 78 to St. 70

Women's AP Top 25 fared

1. LSU (8-0) did not play. Next: at No. 16 Minnesota, Tuesday. 2. Stanford (5-0) did not play. Next: vs. Pep-serdine, Friday. 3. Duke (7-1) did not play. Next: vs. Liberty,

4. Texas (4-2) did not play. Next: at North Texas, Thursday, Dec. 16. 5. North Carolina (7-1) did not play. Next: vs. Coastal Carolina, Sunday. 6. Baylor (6-1) did not play. Next: vs. Penn State. Saturday

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Tuesday's women's scores

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Army 78, Brown 72.

Boston 17, 32.

Boston 19, 32.

Brandels 54, Worcester Tech 45

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Connecticut 55, Hartford 32

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Drew 57, NJ. City 38

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Emmanal 78, Newbury 48

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Hartwick 81, Hamilton 72
Holy Cross 59, Rhode Island 69
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OK, OK, HE SITS FOR THE REST OF THE SEASON.

MILLAR/HUDS

MR. COMMISSIONER, ARE YOU ATTEMPTING TO PLEA-BARGAIN WITH ME?

Radford 47, UMBC. 42
Robert Morris 60, Longwood 54
Rochester 62, William Smith 90,
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SMN+Fammigalds 8, Kings Point 50,
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Houston Baptist 89, Paul Quinn 48
- Arkansas Baptist 34
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Nevada 74, San Diego St. 55
Portland 80, Montana St. 74, OT
San Jose St. 70, UC Davis Sa
Southern Cal 68, San Diego 47

College football Division I-AA playoffs

Semifinals Friday, Dec. 10 James Madison (11-2) at William & Mary (11-2) Sam Houston tana (11-2)

Saturday, Dec. 11 on St. (11-2) at Mon Championship Friday, Dec. 17 At Finley Stadium/Davenport Field Chattanooga, Tenn. Samifinal

Division II playoffs

Championship
Saturday, Dec. 11
At Braly Municipal Stadium
Horence, Alba.

Pittsburg St. (14-0) vs. Valdosta State
(12-1)

Division III playoffs

Semifinals Saturday, Dec. 11 Mary Hardin-Baylor (12-1) at N

hio (12-0) Rowan, N.J. (10-2) at Linfield, Ore, (11-0)

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Saturday, Dec. 18 Stagg Bowl At Salem Stadium Salem, Va.

NAIA playoffs

Championship Saturday, Dec. 18 At Jim Carroll Stadium Hardin Couty, Tenn. St. Francis, Ind. (13-0) vs. Carroll, Mont. (11-2)

College soccer

Men's Division I tournament

Men's College Cup
At The Home Depot Center
Carson, Calif.
Semifinals
Friday, Dec. 10
Duke (18-5) vs. Uc Santa Barbara(20-2-1)
Maryland (18-5-1) vs. Indiana (17-4-1)
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Semifinal winded, Dec. 12

Deals

Tuesday's transactions

BASEBALL
American League
BALTIMORE ORIOLES—Agreed to terms
with OF B.J. Surhoff on a one-year contract.
KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Agreed to terms
with RHP Kevin Appler on a minor league

MINNESOTA TWINS—Agreed to teams with RHP Brad Radke on a two-year con-

with Rith Brad Radice on a two-year com-OAKAND ATHERITES—Named Work Hayes manager and Lavier Alvidrer trainer of Mid-manager and Scott Emerson pitching coach of Stockton of the California League, Brian OF Line Sparks advance scort and Bryn Al-SEATILE MARNEES—Agreed to terms with CD and Wiscon on one-year contract.

er-major league scout.

CHICAGO CUBS—Agreed to terms with S
Nomar Garciaparra and 2B Todd Walker on
one-year contracts and C Henry Blanco on a one-year contracts and crising lamburgers. FLORIDA MARLINS—Agreed to terms with OF Lenny Harris on a minor league contract. HOUSTON ASTROS—Agreed to terms with OF Orlando Palmiero on a one-year contract and RHP Russ Springer on a minor league

ontract. LOS ANGELES DODGERS—Agreed to terms with RHP Elmer Dessens on a one-year con-

with IMP Emer Deserts for Agreed to terms with RHE W 10RK METS—Agreed to terms with RHE Mike Delean on a one-year contract.

PHILADELIPHIA PHILLIES—Agreed to terms with LHP Rheal Cormier on a one-year contract.

CARDINALS—Agreed to terms with RHP Call Eidned, OF John Mabry and RHP WITH AGREED AG

with RHP Cal Eldred, OF John Mabry and RHP Matt Morris on one-year contracts. Mational Basketball Association NBA—Suspended Minnesota G Latrell Sprewell for one game for yelling a sexual vulgarity at a female fan during a Dec. 4 name.

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TENNIS
USTA—Announced the retirement of Billie
Jean King, Fed Cup captain. Named Zina Garrison Fed Cup captain and signed her to a
one-year contract.
COLLEGE

ADELPHI – Announced the addition of wom-n's bowling for the 2004-05 academic year. BOISE STATE – Signed Dan Hawkins, foot-iall coach, to a five-year contract extension

hrough 2009. EAST CAROLINA—Named Donnie Thomp-on assistant football coach and defensive ne coach. ILLINOIS—Named Ron Zook football

TLANDS—Named Kent Akkin assistant athletic director for sports medicine and faathletic director for sports medicine and faathletic director. The sports medicine and faathletic director. The sports medicine and cheryl Bell assistant athletic director.

MANHATTAN—Announced the resignations of Billy Walsh, men's assistant stocer
coach and John Sanchez, women's assistant
soccer coach.

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OLIVET COLLEGE—Announced the retirenent of Irv Sigler, football coach. Named Doninic Livedoti football coach.

OREGON—Announced the resignation of Carl Ferreira, women's volleyball coach. SANTA CLARA—Named Fred Smith assis-tant athletic director. Announced junior F Linden Tibbets has left the men's basketball

eam.
SETON HALL—Named Ilene Weintraub vomen's tennis coach.
WESTERN MICHIGAN—Named Bill Cubit

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Streaking Kings remain behind red-hot Suns

The Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. - The Sacramento Kings won again. And again, they failed to gain any ground on the Phoenix Suns.

Peja Stojakovic had season highs of 30 points and 12 rebounds, and Brad Miller scored points in the Kings' 12th victoin 13 games, 109-92 over the Charlotte Bobcats on Tuesday

With Chris Webber sitting out to rest his sore left knee, Darius Songaila matched his career high with 17 points and 11 rebounds in Sacramento's fifth straight win.

Bobby Jackson scored 16 points for the Kings, who have lost just once in four weeks but haven't been able to gain any ground on the Pacific Divi-



sion-leading Suns, who also have won 12 of 13 "It's a little early to be thinking

about the standings like that, Kings coach Rick Adelman said. "Mike (D'Antoni) has got Phoenix just playing great, and we've been on a good run for a while,

"It's going to be about consistency in our division. We're just going to try to stay at as high of a level as possible. If we can stay consistent and not go into a funk like last year, I think we'll be fine

The Kings had a 15-0 run span-

ning halftime and easily held on for their ninth victory in 10 home

games this season. "We missed Chris, but it's good for everybody to take more re-sponsibility," Stojakovic said We did a pretty good job defen-

sively and on the boards." Webber sat out for the first time this season to rest his left knee, which required major surgery after he tore ligaments during a playoff game in May 2003.

Suns 118, Warriors 104: At Phoenix, Steve Nash had 11 of his 26 points in the fourth quarter. when the Suns rallied from seven

points down. Amare Stoudemire had 33 points and 11 rebounds, Shawn Marion had 23 points and 10 rebounds and Joe Johnson chipped in 20 points for Phoenix.

Cavaliers 103, Nets 97: At Cleveland, LeBron James scored 27 points and assisted on Lucious

Harris' clinching three-pointer with 6 seconds left as the first-place Cavaliers won their eighth straight at home.

The Cavaliers (12-6) have the best record in the Eastern Conference - the first time they've had that distinction after 15 games since March 21, 1989, when they were 48-17.

Mayericks 97. Timberwolves 87: At Minneapolis, Dirk Nowitz ki scored 34 points, including 23 in the second half, to snap the Timberwolves' five-game winning streak.

Josh Howard had 13 points and 12 rebounds for the Mayericks. who overcame the early ejection

of coach Don Nelson and outrebounded Minnesota 54-35 to win

for the third time in four games. Grizzlies 96, Knicks 88: At Memphis, Earl Watson scored a career-high 22 points, missing only one of his 10 shots, and Mike

Miller added 20. Rockets 89, Hornets 81: At Houston, Yao Ming scored 21 points and had nine rebounds. and backup point guard Andre Barrett scored 10 of his 14 points

in the fourth quarter. Bucks 89, Pacers 86: At Indianapolis, Michael Redd scored 28 points to lead Milwaukee to its first road win of the season. It was the fifth straight loss for the Pacers, the longest losing streak for Indiana under second-year coach Rick Carlisle.

NBA scoreboard

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Western Conference								
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Memphis	7	12	.368	9				
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Rebounds—Milwaukee 56 (Gadzuric 13). Indiana 38 (Croshere 12). Assists—Milwaukee 15 (James 4). Indiana 22 (Johnson 13). Todi Jouls—Milwaukee 24, Indiana 26. Techni-cals—Indiana Defensive Three Second. A—15,251 (18,345).

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Brawl: NBA players' union appealing suspensions BRAWL, FROM BACK PAGE The NBA had no comment

thought was necessary to protect himself and protect his friends." Walter Piszczatowski, Harri-

son's lawyer, said: "David was acting as the neacekeener throughout that evening. He was trying to make sure everybody was safe." With less than a minute left in

the Pacers-Pistons game Nov. 19. Artest fouled Ben Wallace from behind on a drive to the basket.

Wallace responded with a hard two-handed shove to Artest That sparked an initial skirmish. and Artest retreated to the scorer's table while the referees restored calm. But then Artest was hit by the cup, and he stormed into the stands, throwing punches as he climbed over seats

Jackson joined Artest and threw punches at fans, who punched back. O'Neal and Artest also hit fans who later came onto the court.

NBA Commissioner David Stern suspended Artest for the rest of the season Jackson was banned for 30 games, O'Neal for 25, and other players received shorter suspensions. The players' union is appealing the longer suspensions, and a grievance hear-ing is scheduled for Thursday in New York

other than to say it cooperated during the investigation and did not plan further discipline.

Gorcyca said the players and fans are required to surrender to authorities because arrest warrants were issued. He said some of the accused or their attorneys contacted his office about doing

Bryant Jackson appeared briefly in court Wednesday afternoon to sign papers related to the charges. He did not comment to reporters.

Some of the players said the case has become a distraction for the Pacers.

"Sitting on the phone with lawvers for an hour-and-a-half or two hours basically every other day, that kind of gets frustrating," Johnson said. "You've got to try to eliminate as much as possible, but it is definitely there and it is definitely a focus each and every

"We kind of lost our heads a little bit collectively as a unit. It's unfortunate because it's been played over and over and over again, and we're shown in a bad light. ... If we could turn back the hands of time I'm pretty sure we would handle it differently.



No. 5 Cowboys beat No. 4 Orange in Jimmy V Classic

NEW YORK - Oklahoma State has a roster even a longtime coach like Eddie Sutton loves to

There are six seniors on the Cowboys, a team that reached the Final Four last season. Nothing makes a coach feel better than a roomful of seniors.

The upperclassmen played a big role in the fifth-ranked Cowboys' 74-60 victory over No. 4 Syracuse on Tuesday night in the Jimmy V Classic.

"The seniors did a great job when we broke the game open and got ahead," said Sutton, who picked up win No. 761. "The seniors played the way they should play. I didn't think we played as well as we can, but we played better in the second half. Every thrives on a veteran ballclub, especially because we went to the Final Four last year."

Stephen Graham, Joey Graham and Ivan McFarlin, all seniors, each had 16 points for the Cow boys (6-0) and John Lucas and Daniel Bobik two other members of that class, each hit a big three-pointer in the second half.

They have six seniors. I don't think anybody has that kind of experience and they have a great coach." Syracuse coach Jim Boeheim said. "That was a tremendous, physical defensive battle.

Men's Top 25 roundup fensively well as we can tonight Stephen

Graham had two three-point plays as Oklahoma State pulled away from a 45-all tie with 6:32 to play as the Orange (7-1) couldn't hit from the field or the free, throw line

"That second half, we probably played as well as we can play, Sutton said. "That first half, I told them they played like they had never been coached. That first half was one of the worst halves I've seen in a long, long time

Bobik hit a three with 7 minutes left to give the Cowboys a 45-44 lead. Lucas then hit a three-pointer - his first field goal - to break that last tie and start a 17-4 run that included Graham's two big plays.

Ivan McFarlin scored with 2:20 to go to cap the run and give Oklahoma State a 62-49 lead

Gerry McNamara hit three threes in the closing 1:23 to get Syracuse within 66-60, but the Orange couldn't get any closer.

McFarlin had 12 rebounds as the Cowboys finished with a 46-33 advantage on the boards Josh Pace had 20 points, two off his career-high, for Syracuse,

while McNamara had 18 and Hakim Warrick 13, Warrick, a ca-



Oklahoma State guard John Lucas, right, drives for a layur against Syracuse forward Hakim Warrick on Tuesday night at Madison Square Garden in New York. Oklahoma State defeated Syracuse 74-60.

reer 64 percent free-throw shooter, was just 5-for-13 from the line and Syracuse was 7-for-22.

"Offensively, we have to get some help for our three veterans who are playing really well," said Boeheim, whose win total stayed at 683. "If we don't get some help, we're going to struggle against good teams and Oklahoma State is as good as anybody in the coun-

Oklahoma State's physical man-to-man defense and Syracuse's vaunted 2-3 zone lived up to their billings. Syracuse held a 22-21 halftime lead with neither team able to shoot better than 36

It didn't get much better for the offenses in the second half until Oklahoma State started to score in transition to break the game

"In the first half, we were a little too passive against the zone," McFarlin said. "In the second half, we ran the transition really

No. 11 Pittsburgh 70, Memphis 51: At New York, Carl Krauser scored all but two of his 17 points at the free-throw line for Pittsburgh in the first game at the Jimmy V Classic.

Chris Taft had 13 points and 10 rebounds for Pittsburgh, which opened with a 12-2 run and had its first 20-point lead at 30-10 with 9:04 left in the first half.

Rodney Carney led the Tigers (5-3) with 18 points.

No. 14 Texas 86, North Texas 57: At Austin, Texas, Brad Buckman scored 18 points and blocked seven shots to lead the Longhorns Leonard Hopkins scored 13 to

lead North Texas (3-3).

No. 16 Washington 98, San Diego St. 69: At Seattle, Nate Robinson scored 24 points and Tre Simmons added a ca-reer-high 23 for the Huskies (6-1), off to their best start since 1997-98

Marcus Slaughter had 21 points for San Diego State (4-2).

No. 17 Iowa 76. N. Iowa 73: At Iowa City, Iowa, Greg Brunner scored 23 points and the Hawkeyes (7-1) held off a late rally by Northern Iowa (3-2)

Jacobson scored 25 points for the Panthers.

No. 18 Alahama 72. Alahama St. 54: At Montgomery, Ala. Winston scored 21 Kennedy points and Chuck Davis had 18 points and nine rebounds for the Crimson Tide (7-0).

Reserve George Savage had 14 points to lead the Hornets (1-4).

No. 24 Wisconsin 65, Wisconsin-Green Bay 55: At Madison Wis., Mike Wilkinson scored 18 noints and Wisconsin (5.1) evtended the longest home winning streak in Division I to 32 games. Josh Lawrence and Mendiburu each scored 10 points to lead Wisconsin-Green Bay

No. 25 Gonzaga 54, Washington St. 52: At Pullman, Wash. Ronny Turiaf scored 17 points for the Bulldogs (6-1).

Josh Akognon and Randy Green led Washington State (3-3) with 12 points each.

as host of service hoop tourney in mid-January

KADENA AIR BASE Okinawa Martin Luther King Jr week. end will see a Pacific-wide interservice basketball tournament after all: Kadena's 18th Services will host its second Kadena Baskethall Klassic tournament Jan 14-17

The Kadena Basketball Klassic had been slated for March. But when troop deployments forced Marine Corns Community Services last month to scrub the Martin Luther King tournament, the Kadena tournament was moved to mid-January.

Informed that two off-island teams had made non-refundable airline reservations for a mid-January trip to Okinawa, MCCS contacted 18th Services sports officials and asked if Kadena could host a tournament



Mondays in Stars and Stripes and on Oconus.com

"We'd love to help out the athletes," said Risner Fitness and Sports Center director Dawn Pierce adding that 18th Services is getting "huge support" for varsity athletics, starting with Kadena's 18th Wing leadership.

"We want to capitalize on our ability to offer this to the community." Pierce said, "We want to keep basketball at the forefront. We can't let it slip through the cracks."

Because of the late notice and because Risner is undergoing renovations, the event will be limited to the first 10 men's teams to sign un. Pierce said.

The tournament is open to military base- and post-level teams throughout the Pacific. All players must be 18 or older. The entry fee is \$200; the entry deadline is

Officials from 18th Services said they plan to stay in touch with MCCS to see if the Martin Luther King tournament will revive. If it doesn't, Pierce said, Kadena plans to keep the tournament and expand the field next vear

Call DSN 634-2207 or e-mail Firello White of Falcon Fitness Center at firello.white@kadena.af.mil Pierce dawn.pierce@kadena.af.mil for information on the tournament.

Kadena replaces Foster Bryant surprised by Malone's intense reaction to comments

The Associated Press

EL SEGUNDO, Calif. - Kobe Bryant would love to have Karl Malone back with the Los Angeles Lakers, and believes comments he made in a recent radio interview were misunderstood. Bryant also said Wednesday

that he tried to call Malone "and square it all out.

Malone's agent, Dwight Man ley, said Tuesday that his client had ruled out a return to the Lakers because of what Bryant said in the radio interview and what the agent called "recent personal attacks made in private.

Bryant said he was shocked by Malone's reaction.

"I meant nothing by it. It wasn't directed toward him," Bryant said after the Lakers' shootaround. "I'd love to have him back here, everybody would. If he wants to come back and play, the door's always open.

"This is the type of place he should enjoy playing. I'm happy to hear he's 100 percent. And in no way what I said was directed toward him or a personal attack If he's felt some type of way about that, then I apologize,

But Bryant also said: "It is what it is, and I want to move on with the team we have here. Manley said Malone was "furi-

ous" and "felt very disrespected after hearing an account of what Bryant told XTRA radio in an interview Monday.

Bryant told the radio station he didn't think that Malone, who un-

NBA briefs

derwent right knee last summer. would return

to the Lakers, calling it "just intuition." Bryant also said the uncertainty wasn't fair to his teammates. "I think he took what I said the

wrong way," Bryant said Wednes-day. "Maybe he didn't hear it, maybe he ran off with what some body else was saving. If I felt like [Malone] was a distraction, I would have said it. I didn't say anything like that."

Malone told KCBS-TV late Tuesday that he didn't "want to be anyone's distraction.

Bryant said his relationship with Malone has "always been "If Karl comes back, it will be a

tremendous addition, Bryant "But if he doesn't, I'm rolling with the guvs we have here. It's his decision if he wants to come back.'

The 41-year-old Malone told the Lakers on Oct. 1 he wasn't ready to play. But he didn't rule out returning at some point this season or later

Manley said Tuesday that Malone had fully recovered from his surgery and would address his future in the next month or so.

Clippers' Brand suspended one game for shoving Okafor NEW YORK - Elton Brand of

the Los Angeles Clippers was suspended for one game Tuesday by the NBA for shoving Charlotte's Emeka Okafor during the fourth quarter of Monday night's Charlotte Los Angeles game Brand wheeled and delivered a

hard shove to Okafor's face and was immediately ejected. The foul was judged a category two fla-Brand must sit out the Clin-

pers' game Friday night against the Los Angeles Lakers.

Cavaliers' Travlor out with broken finger

CLEVELAND — Cavaliers for ward Robert Traylor will miss three to four weeks after breaking his left pinkie against the New Jersey Nets

Traylor, a reserve averaging 5.1 points and 4.0 rebounds, was placed on the injured list. Cleveland activated Scott Williams for Wednesday night's game against Chicago. Williams is averaging 2.2 points and 1.7 rebounds in 10 games.

Nets sign top CBA scorer

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. -Forward Kaniel Dickens, the leading scorer in the CBA, was signed the New Jersey Nets on Wednesday.

The Nets also waived forward Awvee Storey and placed center Jabari Smith on the injured list with a sprained left ankle.

Dickens was averaging 29.4 noints and 9.6 rehounds with the Idaho Stampede. He was shooting a league-leading 57.1 percent from three-point range.

Bush urges MLB to take 'strong steps' on steroids

The Associated Pres

WASHINGTON — President Bush urged Major League Baseball on Wednesday to take "strong steps" to confront the use of steroids and other illegal performance-enhancing substances by players.

by players.

Bush spoke up on the issue —
which he also noted in his State of
the Union address in January —
as players and league management worked toward an agreement on tougher testing for steroids. Drug use "diminishes the
integrity of sports," Bush's
spokesman said.

рокеsman said. "The president believes it's important for Major League Baseball management and the player's union to act by taking strong steps to address the problem," White House spokesman Scott McClellan said. "Professional baseball players are people our children look up to. Players who use drugs undermine the efforts of parents and coaches to send the right message to our children."

McClellan did not spell out what would constitute "strong steps" by the league. Bush, a former managing partner of the Texas Rangers, is not involved in negotiations between players and baseball management, limiting his role to public remarks

through his spokesman.

But Bush has relied upon Roland Betts, another former partner in the Rangers, to communicate his thoughts to baseball, Mc-Clellan said

In May or June, Betts conveyed Bush's conviction that the major leagues need "a tough steroids testing policy." McClellan said.

On Tuesday, baseball players told their lawyers to work toward a new agreement with owners on that policy.

After negotiations with management were outlined to the executive board of the players' association, union head Donald Fehr said the board "authorized us to at-

tempt to conclude an agreement consistent with those discussions."

Fehr defended the current program, saying it would work if "it had been given time."

Each player was tested once in 2004 during a period between the start of spring training and the end of the regular season.

In 2003, anonymous tests were conducted as a survey, and 5 to 7 percent came back positive.

Baseball Commissioner Bud Selig repeatedly has called for more frequent testing and harsher penalties for steroid use, stepping up the intensity following reports of grand jury testimony by sluggers Barry Bonds, Jason Giambi and Gary Sheffield.

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Gene Orza, the union's chief operating officer, said Monday that discussions toward a new agreement had advanced but the sides were still apart. Management ex-

pects talks to resume next week. Bush praised the efforts of Arizona Sen. John McCain, who has threatened to propose federal legislation that would override the drug-testing provisions in baseball's collective bargaining agree-

In his State of the Union address, Bush called for U.S. sports leagues to adopt tougher anti-doping policies and for athletes to set a better example for youngsters.

Phillies boost rotation, add Lieber for three years, \$21M

The Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Right-hander Jon Lieber agreed to a \$21-million, three-year contract with the Philadelphia Phillies on Wednesday, rounding out a revamped starting rotation.

out a revamped starting rotation. Lieber spent last season with the New York Yankees, going 14-8 with a 4.33 ERA in 27 starts. He was 1-1 with a 3.43 ERA in three playoff starts for the Yankees, who wasted a 3-0 lead in the AL championship series against Boston.

Lieber gets a \$1 million signing bonus and will earn \$5.25 million in 2005, \$7.25 million in 2006 and \$7.5 million in 2007.

Lieber, who turns 35 in April, joins a rotation that subtracted Eric Milton and Kevin Millwood. Neither free agent was offered arbitration by the Phillies before Tuesday's midnight deadline, meaning their brief careers in Philadelphia are all but over.

A 20-game winner with the Cubs in 2001, Lieber was just 6-8 the following year and missed the entire 2003 season after undergoing ligament-replacement

surgery on his right elbow. He sat out the first month of last season with a strained right groin, but returned to become a valuable member of New York's injury-depleted staff. He was 5-0 with a 3.12 ERA in his final six starts and won seven of his last eight de-

Lieber joins former All-Stars Randy Wolf and Vicente Padilla, Brett Myers and Corey Lidle in the Phillies' rotation.

Lieber began his career with Pitsburgh in 1994, pitched four seasons with the Cubs and one year with the Yankees. He's 100-91 with a 4.20 ERA in 10 seasons. Lieber's best year was in 2001 when he went 20-6 with a 3.80 ERA for Chicago. He's won at least 10 games four other times.

The Phillies, preseason favorites to win the NL East last year, had a disappointing season, going 86-76. They fired manager Larry Bowa, replacing him last month with former Indians manager Charlie Manuel.



John Leiber, 14-8 with a 4.33 ERA last season for the Yankees, became a free agent when New York declined an \$8 million option for 2005.

Left-hander Leiter returns to Marlins

ha Accordated Prace

MIAMI — Al Leiter signed a one-year contract with the Florida Marlins on Wednesday, leaving the New York Mets and returning to the team he helped pitch to the 1997 World Series title.

The 39-year-old left-hander had spent seven years with the Mets, going 10-8 with a 3.21 ERA last season. The Mets did not offer him salary arbitration before Tuesday's deadline, allowing the Marlins to step him ritbert gringing a duet holico.

sign him without giving up a draft choice.
"This is a terrific reunion of Al and this franchise, and this is a big day for the Florida Marlins and South Florida," Marlins General Manager Larry Beinfest said.

Leiter played for Fforida in 1996 and 1997. He pitched the team's first no-hitter in 1996 and was traded to the Mets when the Marlins purged their payroll after the World Series season. He also pitched in the 2000 World Series, in which the Mets lost to the New York Yankees.

He joins a rotation that features right-handers Josh Beckett and A.J. Burnett, plus left-hander Dontrelle Willis.

Radke, Garciaparra, Morris opt not to change uniforms

BY RONALD BLUM

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Nomar Garciaparra stayed with the Chicago Cubs, Brad Radke remained with Minnesota and the New York Yankees looked ahead to deals with pitcher Jaret Wright and second baseman Tony Womack as the first big deadline passed for teams and free agents.

On a day when 13 free agents agreed to contracts, St. Louis kept pitchers Matt Morris and Cal Eldred, along with outfielder John Mabry on Tuesday.

Forty-one players were offered arbitration by the midnight dead-line, up from 25 last year. Carlos Beltran and Roger Clemens (Houston), Adrian Beltre Gos Angeles) and Carl Pavano (Florida) were among those given arbitration offers, they have until Dec. 19 to accept and can re-sign with their former teams through Jan. 8.

Among those not offered arbi-

tration were third baseman Troy Glaus, the 2002 World Series MVP (Anaheim); first baseman Carlos Delgado (Toronto); outfielder Steve Finley (Los Angeles); outfielder Magglio Ordonez (Chicago White Sox) and pitchers Eric Milton and Kevin Millwood (Philadelphia).

Garciaparra agreed to an \$8 million, one-year contract to remain with the Cubs, the team that acquired him from the Red Sox at the end of July. If he stays healthy, he could make up to \$11 million with Chicago.

"I really loved playing there, I really loved the experience I had in the short time I was there," he said. "I just felt Chicago is the best place for me. I'm looking forward to going out there and, hopefully, turning this into a long-term relationshin."

Radke got an \$18 million, two-year deal from the Twins. He went 11-8 with a 3.48 ERA in 219¹/s innings last season, teaming with AL Cy Young Award winner Johan Santana to form an outstanding duo at the top of Minnesota's rotation.

"I think it turned out for the best for both sides," Radke said. "It feels good. You know, the Twins always said that I was their top priority to sign this year and I feel the same way. I feel the Baseball free agent roundup my first priority, and I'm just glad it got

St Louis

completed a completed a completed in a complete dia night deadline. Morris, a 22-game winner in 2001 but 15-10 with a 472 ERA last season, got a \$2.5 million, one-year contract and the chance to earn \$4.5 million more in performance bonuses. Mabry (\$725,000) and Eldred (\$600,000) also got one-year deals.

Wright, who will turn 29 on Dec. 29, went 15-8 with a 3.28 ERA in a big comeback season with the Atlanta Braves this year, but lost both his starts in the play-

New York offered salary arbiration to Orlando Hernandez before Tuesday's midnight deadline, giving the team until Jan. 8 to re-sign a key member of last season's rotation. Another part of that rotation, Jon Leiber, was offered arbitration but signed with Philadelbhia on Wednesday.

The Yankees also reached a preliminary agreement with Womack on a \$4 million, two-year contract, giving New York a starting second baseman to replace Miguel Cairo.

While no announcements were made, both Yankees deals were confirmed by a baseball official who spoke on condition of anomonity.

Womack's agreement was subject to him passing a physical. After undergoing elbow surgery before last season, the speedy leadoff hitter helped the Cardinals reach the World Series, batting .307 with 26 stolen bases and

In addition to Garciaparra, Chicago agreed to a \$2.5 million, one-year contract with second baseman Todd Walker, and a \$2.7 million, two-year contract with catcher Henry Blanco.

Philadelphia agreed to a \$5.25 Philadelphia agreed to a \$5.25 hielt-hander Rheal Cormier, Seattle settled on a \$1.75 million, one-year contract with catcher Dan Wilson, the New York Mets held on to right-hander Mike De-Jean for \$1.15 million and Baltimore kept outfielder B.J. Surhoff for \$1.1 million. Houston agreed to two deals, an \$800,000, one-year contract with outfielder Orlando Palmeiro and a minor league contract with right-hander Russ Springer. Also, right-hander Kevin Appier launched another comeback bid.

tract with the Kansas City Royals. Boston offered arbitration to Martinez, Derek Lowe and Jason Vartiek along with shortstop Orlando Cabrera, pitchers Pedro Astacio and Mike Myers, infielder Pokey Reese and first baseman David McCarty. "Some of them were offered ar-

agreeing to a minor league con-

"Some of them were offered arbitration with the understanding they won't accept arbitration," Red Sox General Manager Theo Epstein said. "That simply extends our window. Sometimes making good decisions takes time."

Several signings were announced early Wednesday.

Pitcher Dustin Hermanson, the Giants closer in 2004, agreed on a two-year, \$5.5 million contract with the White Sox. Six-time All-Star catcher Sandy Alomar Jr., who played with the White Sox last year, signed a \$550,000 contract with Texas to be a part-time player.

Urban renewal under way at Florida

After whirlwind weekend, Meyer arrives in Gainesville ready to work

The Associated Press

GAINESVILLE, Fla. - When Urban Meyer moved from Notre Dame to Bowling Green to Utah in five years, he explained the relocations to his three children by telling them he was like a mountain climber trying to get to the After accepting the Florida job

last week, his 6-year-old son sim-ply asked, "Daddy, are you there yet?

Meyer smiled and responded, "Yes, this is the top." Few would disagree

The former Utah coach was formally introduced at Florida on Tuesday, getting a campus tour and meeting his new team for the first time since agreeing to a seven-year, \$14 million contract.

He said all the right things, too. He talked about winning championships, praised coach Steve Spurrier and said he has no aspirations to coach in the NFL. He even took shots at Florida State



Florida's new head football coach Urban Meyer speaks to the media Tuesday in Gainesville, Fla.

and Tennessee, recalling famed Spurrier lines about "Free Shoes University" and "You can't spell Citrus without UT."

"This is a place you can put

your feet down hopefully for a long time," he said. Although Meyer will coach the fifth-ranked Utes against No. 19 Pittsburgh in the Fiesta Bowl, he already has started working for the Gators. He called recruits over the weekend and began what will be a difficult month of transition from one program to the other.

He spent the weekend celebrating his team's Bowl Championship Series berth, had dinner with Florida athletic director Jeremy Foley on Monday and flew to Gainesville on a private jet with his wife and three children Tuesday morning

Then he got a complete tour, capped by a visit to Ben Hill Grif-

fin Stadium His eves widened as he walked into "The Swamp" and noticed references to the six Southeastern Conference titles, the two Heisman Trophy winners and the 1996 national championship. He also saw an altered photo of himself - wearing an orange and blue Gators jacket — on both scoreboards along with a wel-

He already knew expectations would be high, but his trip into the recently renovated stadium made it a reality.

"Is it the toughest conference in the country? Absolutely. Is it one of the toughest schedules in the country? Absolutely. Can we recruit the best student-athletes in the country? Absolutely. It's a

great challenge and it is different. "To stand here and say that we had some great success at Bowling Green and some great success at Utah, we know we have to work that much harder to have great success here.'

The Gators fired coach Ron Zook in October after a 20-13 record in two-plus seasons, several close losses, some notable late collanses and a heated encounter with members of a campus frater-

He also never satisfied fans who became accustomed to Snurrier's innovative system that was fun to watch and tough to stop.

Utah promotes Whittingham to head coach

The Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY - Utah defensive coordinator Kyle Whittingham was hired as the school's football coach to replace Urban Meyer.

Whittingham rejected an offer from rival BYU to take the Utes' job. He was to be introduced at a news conference Wednesday, Utah sports information director Liz Abel said

Whittingham will replace Meyer as Utah's coach following the Jan. 1 Fiesta Bowl. Mever was introduced Tuesday as the new coach at Flori-

Whittingham was to have led the Utes' Tuesday practice, but didn't attend to consider the offers from the two schools.

Whittingham will have to start building his own staff immediately. Offensive coordina-tor Mike Sanford was hired Monday to coach UNLV, and both he and Meyer could take any number of assistant coaches with them.



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Louisville's Petrino planning to stay put

Louisville football coach Robby Petrino said Tuesday he plans to stay with the Cardinals, taking himself off the market for teams with coaching vacancies.

"I want to make it clear that I'm not interested in any other coaching jobs, and am happy at the University of Louisville," Petrino said in a statement issued by the school

The statement came after Mississippi athletic director Pete Boone said that Petrino's agent had contacted him about that school's coaching vacancy. Boone said the agent later called back to say the coach was no longer inter-

Petrino guided the Cardinals to a 10-1 record, a Conference USA championship this season and a No. 7 ranking, the highest in the school's history. His two-year mark at Louisville is 19-5.

Petrino was selected C-USA Coach of the Year on Wednesday. The Cardinals will play in the Liberty Bowl on Dec. 31 against Boise State

Wie to play PGA event again HONOLULU - Michelle Wie

will make another appearance on the PGA Tour after accepting a sponsor's exemption Tuesday night to play next month in the Sony Open The exemption was expected,

especially after Wie came within one shot of making the cut in the Sony Open last year.

"This is really great," Wie said in a telephone interview. "I had such a great experience last year. Hopefully I'll do a lot better. My goal is to be in the ton 20.5

Wie was 14 last January when she shot a 68 in the second round, Sports briefs

the lowest score ever by a female competing exclusively against men. She finished at

even-nar 140 at Waialae Country Club.

Armstrong won't decide until May about Tour de France

AUSTIN, Texas - Lance Armstrong will decide in May whether he will race in this summer's Tour de France, which he has won the past six years

He said in Wednesday's Austin American-Statesman he will ride for another two years, but he's still unsure where to focus his 2005 schedule — the European spring classics or Tour de France.

Armstrong will leave his home in Austin in mid-March and spend six weeks in Europe racing. When he returns home in May, he'll decide whether he'll try for a seventh Tour de France in 2005 or 2006.

Armstrong's Tour de France victories are a record, but he has been criticized for bypassing other popular races to focus on training for cycling's biggest event. The races he did ride were picked specifically to help him train for France

Tyson training for comeback

LAS VEGAS - Mike Tyson wants everyone to know he's alive

The former heavyweight champion is beginning to train for a fight in March, his first since being knocked out by Danny Williams in July. Tyson, 38, issued a statement Tuesday in which he also denied published reports that he is depressed and using co-

Utah's Smith goes from obscurity to Heisman hopeful

BY DOUG ALDEN The Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY - So much has changed in Alex Smith's life

the past two years, he's still trying to sort through it all. He's gone from being a frustrated freshman considering a transfer to leading Utah into college football's elite as the first team from a mid-major conference to play in a Bowl Championship Se-

ries bowl game. The next stop on his meteoric rise could be New York for Saturday's Heisman Tro phy presentation He'll find out Wednesday if

he's a finalist in a tightly contested race that is sure to leave at least a couple of vicandidates

out of the mix. People ask me if I want to win the Heisman. course I'd love to. But I just want to go," the junior quarterback said. "I think the experi-

ence would be great. It's something not too many people get to go to in their life Smith's statis tics are as good as

anv quarterback's, but playing in the Mountain West Conference, those numget called into question because of the quality of competition. So his 28 touch

down passes, four interceptions and 2,624 passing yards seem to carry an asterisk. Despite completing 66 percent of his passes and rushing for 10 touchdowns, he's still considered a long shot to win the Heisman.

Utah's Alex Smith did not

28 touchdowns and four

start until the third game of

last season. This year he has

thrown for 2,624 yards with

interceptions. The junior has

also rushed for 10 scores.

But by guiding the fifth-ranked Utes to an 11-0 record and a spot in the Fiesta Bowl, he might make the cut and get to go to New York which surprises Smith as

much as anybody

"I didn't know how I compared to other quarterbacks. I didn't know how much publicity we were going to get. That was the part that was so shocking to me. It's still shocking to me right now," Smith said. "When you're an athlete at Utah, you've had that mind-set for a long time because you probably didn't get recruited by big schools."

If Smith does go, he may be sitting with an old friend Southern California running back Reggie Bush was one year behind Smith at Helix High School outside San Diego and could also be a Heisman finalist. "He took a much more direct

route," Smith said of Bush.

Smith wasn't widely recruited and ended up at Utah, where he spent a discouraging first semes ter under former coach Ron

He played in two games late in

snap out of a six-game losing streak, losing a year of eligibility

Smith was so disheartened he ought about transferring if McBride stayed. McBride was fired after the season, so Smith decided to wait to see who was taking over. When he found out it was Urban Meyer from Bowling Green, he wasn't quite sure what to think.

"Honestly, when they announced it. I didn't know who he was and I had been following it pretty closely," he said.

That was two years ago this month and was a bigger turning point in Smith's life than he knew battled upperclassmen

Brett Elliott and Rice Lance through spring practice as all three tried to Meyer's grasp spread offense.

As the youngest the Smith said he got the most atten-

"Everything I did was wrong and we were going to change Smith said.

"My release was too slow so we've got to speed that up. We're going to change how throw the ball We're going to put 30 pounds on you. You're too small We've got to get vou faster. ..

Mever did succeed in getting Smith bigger. At 6 feet 4, he was only about 180 pounds when Meyer took over. He weighs about 210 now, still a little on the light side

Learning the offense was a bigger challenge

"He's gone from being third-string quarterback to the best in college football," said Meyer, who accepted the coachjob at Florida last week. "I still believe that. I know some of these other guys are starting to put up some numbers, but I still believe Alex is as good as anybody in the country.

Smith didn't take over until the third game of the 2003 season

Elliott had broken his wrist leaving Smith as the starter against California. Smith completed 18 of 28 passes and rushed for a touchdown in his starting debut, a 31-24 victory over the Bears

"That's when things really started to make sense to me as far as understanding the offense Things clicked as far as what we were trying to do," Smith said. "All of a sudden, I was like 'OK, I kind of get this.' Everything slowed down for me." As for this season, there's still

the Fiesta Bowl against Pitts-"This is like, the season's not

done," Smith said. "We still have Leinart hadn't thrown a pass at something to prove."



Southern Cal is 25-1 when junior QB Matt Leinart (11) starts. He has passed for 2,990 yards and 28 touchdowns with six interceptions this season. Leinart finished sixth in Heisman Trophy balloting in 2003.

Southern Cal thankful for injury that pushed Leinart to gridiron

Shoulder problem in high school made him quit baseball

BY JOHN NADEL The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES - Matt Lein art was quite a baseball prospect, showing so much promise as a left-handed pitcher that scouts took notice before high school.

"I threw heat, man," he said with a smile. "That's really what I wanted to do. And then, I blew my shoulder out, right after football season my freshman year. Leinart would never pitch

again, instead changing his focus to football. Good move

Since succeeding Carson Palmer as Southern California's starting quarterback 15 months ago, Leinart has guided the top-ranked Trojans to a 25-1 record.

Leinart finished sixth in Heisman Trophy balloting as a sopho more last season, and he's among the leading contenders for this year's award, to be presented Saturday in New York. The finalists will be announced Wednesday It all began for Leinart with

that shoulder injury.
"It's crazy how everything fell into place." Leinart said.

Leinart's shoulder was dam aged to the point that he needed reconstructive surgery. And that wasn't the worst of it. Leinart's doctor recommended that as a precaution he not play competitive sports as a sophomore at Mater Dei High in suburban Santa Ana 'It was pretty tough on him. said Leinart's father, Bob.

That's an understatement "I was really depressed," Lein-

art said, "Sports was my whole life. (But) it definitely made me a better person, going through that so young. But it sure was hard."

The 6-foot-5, 225-pound Leinart went on to become a star at Mater Dei, but he had to wait his turn at USC. And he almost got passed over, barely winning the starting quarterback job in a tight battle with three others in the spring of 2003.

USC when he took his first snap

at Auburn the following fall, and he had to fill the shoes of the Heisman Trophy-winning Palmer.

No problem. Leinart passed for 3.556 yards and 38 touchdowns with only nine interceptions in leading the Trojans to a 12-1 record and The Associated Press national championship.

Some said the presence of Mike Williams and Keary Colbert, two of the country's top wide receiv ers, had a lot to do with Leinart's

Maybe so but it was more of the same this year while breaking in new starting receivers. Leinart has passed for 2,990 yards and 28 touchdowns with only six interceptions in leading No. 1 USC (12-0) to the Bowl Championship Series title game in the Orange Bowl against No. 2 Oklahoma.

"Matt's made a huge progres sion since he's been here," USC tight end Alex Holmes said Since he started playing, he's been spectacular." Offensive coordinator Norm

Chow says Leinart is as good as any quarterback he's coached and that's great company. Along with Palmer, Chow has tutored Philip Rivers at North Carolina State, and Steve Young, Tv Detmer and Jim McMahon, at BYU. Leinart became a Heisman candidate not long after the 21-year-old junior led the Trojans

to their co-national title last sea son. Then it got a big boost on Nov. 27, when he passed for a ca-reer-high 400 yards and a school record-tying five touchdowns in a

41-10 victory over Notre Dame. He might have come back to the pack last week, though. He was an efficient 24-for-34 for 242 yards with one interception in JSC's 29-24 victory over UCLA.

He didn't throw a touchdown pass for the first time as a starter. Meanwhile, Leinart's backfield-mate Reggie Bush ran for 204 yards and two stunning TDs against the Bruins to bolster his

The mild-mannered Leinart has taken all the hype and attention in stride

Heisman résumé.

"He is very laid back," his fa-ther said. "Nothing bothers him. He doesn't mind pressure. That's how he is, all the time. Except on the field. He's intense, but still calm. Where that comes from I'm not sure. Don't ask me. It cracks me up Leinart said playing baseball

before large crowds as early as age 11 helped mold him. 'That's one of the reasons I'm

known as a cool, poised quarterback," he said. "It's just my per-sonality. I just go with the flow, don't stress out about little things. I'm not going to get caught up in all the pressure, all the hype. It can all be taken away from you at

OU's White among finalists

BY RALPH D. RUSSO The Associated Press

NEW YORK - Jason White

has a chance to join Archie Griffin as a two-time Heisman Tronhy winner White, the Oklahoma quarter-

back who won last year's Heis-man, was chosen Wednesday as one of five finalists for college all's most prestigious indi vidual title.

Joining White for Saturday's

award ceremony in New York will be his Oklahoma teammate Adrian Peterson, Southern California teammates Matt Leinart and Reggie Bush, and Utah quarterback Alex Smith.

Among Heisman contenders who were not finalists were Texas tailback Cedric Benson, Auburn quarterback Jason Campbell and California's Aaron Rodgers and J.J. Arrington.

Ohio State's Griffin won the Heisman in 1974 and 1975 and is the only two-time winner.

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Colts' Harrison gets \$66M deal

Marvin Harrison is remaining with the Indianapolis Colts as Peyton Manning's primary target.

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Harrison agreed to six-year, \$66 million contract with the team

on Wednesday that includes a \$22 million signing bonus, according to a league source who requested anonymity.

The star receiver is making \$5.56 million this season. Harrison, 32, who set an NFL record with 143 receptions in the 2002 season, has 826 receptions in nearly nine seasons with the Colts after being their first-round draft

er than any NFL receiver. He and Manning have combined for more completions than any other quarterback and receiver, passing Jim Kelly and Andre Reed of the Buffalo Bills. They are second in career touchdowns to Steve Young and Jerry Rice of

Harrison, who would have become a free agent on March 1. has 67 catches for 870 yards and 12 touchdowns this season, far less than his record pace.

But that is largely because Reggie Wayne and Brandon Stokley have emerged as alternate targets for Manning.

The Colts had no immediate comment on the deal. Tom Condon, Harrison's agent, did not return calls placed by The Associated Press In other team news, the Colts

NFL injury update

miuries to prominent NFL players, fol-lowed by team's prognosis. (See Satur-day's edition for complete injury report provided by the league): Bears; QB Craig Krenzel (ankle) out for rest of season. rest of season.

Bills: TE Mark Campbell (knee) out for est of season.

est of season. Redskins: LB LaVar Arrington (knee) kickoff specialist on Wednesday.

Rams might start 3rd-string RB

ST. LOUIS - Coming off his first 100-yard game in the NFL, Steven Jackson is trying not to let a sprained right knee stop him. Marshall Faulk's understudy expects to shake off the injury and start again Sunday for the St. Louis Rams.

"It's a little tight, but it should be all right for this weekend," Jackson said Wednesday. "I know me and Marshall, we're working on getting back to playing."

Jackson spent several hours Monday and Tuesday taking treatment for the injury that occurred near the end of last week's 16-6 victory over the 49ers Coach Mike Martz said he didn't know if the rookie would play this week.

On Wednesday, Martz said Jackson might not practice until Friday and that he would prepare third-stringer Arlen Harris for starting duty against the Pan-thers. Faulk is expected to dress but might need another week to recover from a bruised left knee.

Meanwhile, quarterback Marc Bulger, who sprained his right shoulder in Sunday's game, might miss two more weeks, putting the in the hands 39-year-old Chris Chandler. Bulger anticipates that he'll throw early next week, but said a realis-

the Eagles game on Dec. 27

Rattay, Barlow out for 49ers

SANTA CLARA, Calif. - Tim Rattay and Kevan Barlow will sit out the San Francisco 49ers game at Arizona on Sunday, leaving the NFL's worst team without its starting quarterback and running back.

Rattay, who missed three games earlier in the season with injuries, has a torn fascia muscle in his right foot.

He must keep weight off his foot for two weeks, coach Dennis Erickson said Wednesday.

Barlow sustained a concussion during Sunday's loss at St. Louis. He has played every game this season, but has the league's lowest yards-per-carry average for a starting running back.

Ken Dorsey will make his fourth start of the season in Rattay's place. Maurice Hicks, on the 49ers' practice squad until last month, will get his first NFL start in Barlow's spot.

Saints' Gleason fined \$5,000 for punching player

NEW ORLEANS - Steve Gleason of the New Orleans Saints was fined \$5,000 by the NFL on Wednesday after being thrown out of last week's game against Carolina for nunching the Panthers' Kemp Rasmussen at the end of a kickoff return.

Gleason, the Saints' special teams captain, said the fine was fair "From what I hear it was in line with what others have gotten." He apologized to his teammates and coaches.

Gleason said the Panthers were blocking him after the play ended.

Sharpe criticism of Shanahan

BY EDDIE PELLS The Associated Press

DENVER - Never one to hold back his feelings, former Broncos tight end Shannon Sharpe criticized Mike Shanahan, saying the Denver coach's decision to make Jake Plummer his quarterback was a failed, ego-driven effort to turn a mediocre player into something better.

On Wednesday, Shanahan and Plummer answered back, and pretty much took the high road "It's Chinook winds blowing off

the mountains," Plummer said. Shanahan's reaction: "Everybody's got the right to express

Sharpe, the second-most productive pass catcher in Broncos history, caused a stir in Denver during his satellite radio show Monday when he criticized the coach and the quarterback after their 20-17 loss to the Chargers,

Plummer threw four intercentions, including one in the final minutes with the Broncos trailing by three and at the San Diego 7-vard line.

"What does Mike see in Jake?" said Sharpe, who retired to be-come a TV and radio analyst after last season. "He takes chances with Jake that he never took with

John Elway. If that mystic of Mike thinks he's that good of a coach that he could take a guy that's mediocre, average at best, and make him into something that he's never going to be ..

"Jake Plummer is what he is. He is who he is. If you take a grizzly out of the wilderness and put him in the zoo, he is still a grizzly. change who or what he is." Plummer threw 90 touchdowns

and 114 interceptions and made the playoffs once in six years with the Cardinals. Before last season. Shanahan hand-picked him and the Broncos signed him to a seven-year, \$40.7 million deal.

The Plummer experience has been mixed, at best. He is 16-7 as a starter with 37 touchdowns and 22 interceptions — not bad by most standards — but hasn't proven himself a great pocket passer and still has a knack for making shaky decisions.

Shanahan said the main thing he was offended by in Sharpe's comments was the criticism of Plummer

"I don't like anyone talking bad about our players." Shanahan Shanahan said.

But the coach also gave Sharpe credit for calling him after the comments. He said the two had a cordial discussion

"I just expressed how I felt," Shanahan said. "I think the world of Jake. Any time a quarterback has done the things he's done he's won 70 percent of his games that's a plus. Everything hasn't been perfect."

Plummer said he didn't take offense and was more concerned with his reputation among his teammates than with Sharpe

"My opinion of him won't change. He's one of the greatest tight ends to play the game," Plummer said. "I'm not any less of a friend of his. We never hung out much anyway. He's not play ing ball. He's got his opinions and let's talk about Miami, please."

Sharpe, who still works out at the Broncos' facility on occasion, caught 62 passes and eight touchdowns - most from Plummer last season. He put Denver at a serious disadvantage with the timing of his retirement, which came after the draft and deep into the free-agency period.

"I don't even fault Jake, Sharpe said on his radio show." fault Mike because he puts the ball in his hands and he keeps al-lowing him to do it. ... If you're on a boat and you know this guy is punching holes in your boat and you still allow him to have a hammer and a nail to keep doing it, I don't feel bad for you.

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Ron Artest



Stephen Jackson







Indiana Pacers' Jermaine O'Neal, left, was charged Wednesday with two counts of misdemeanor assault and battery for his role a brawl that began on the court and spilled into the stands at The Palace of Auburn Hills on Nov. 19. Pacers Ron Artest. David Harrison. Stephen Jackson and Anthony Johnson were charged with

10 charged in NBA brawl

5 Pacers, 5 fans face misdemeanors; chair-thrower charged with felony

BY SARAH KARUSH The Associated Press

PONTIAC, Mich. - Five Indiana Pacers and five fans were charged Wednesday for fighting during the melee that broke out at the end of a nationally televised game against the Detroit Pistons

Players Ron Artest, Stephen Jackson, David Harrison and Anthony Johnson were charged with one count of assault and hattery

last month

in one of the worst brawls in U.S. sports history. Jermaine O'Neal, a three-time NBA All-Star, was charged with two counts of assault and battery.

All the fans were charged with misdemeanor assault and battery, including Pistons star Ben Wallace's brother, David. Bryant Jackson also was charged with felony assault for throwing a chair into the fray, Oakland County prosecutor David Gorcyca said.

The misdemeanor carries up to

three months in jail and a fine of up to \$500, and the felony carries up to four years in prison.

Gorcyca, however, said the players and fans would probably face probation and fines if convicted

Gorcyca singled out spectator John Green, who faces two assault counts and, the prosecutor said, "single-handedly incited this whole interaction between the fans and players and probably is the one that's most culnable

Green is accused of throwing a cup at Artest, splashing him and sparking the brawl.

John Ackerman and William Paulson, each facing an assault charge, also were accused of throwing cups in players' faces. In addition, two men were charged for walking onto the court at The Palace of Auburn Hills. Police said other fans could be charged, too.

Pacers chief executive Donnie Walsh said the team would not comment until the case is resolved

"In the meantime we will continue to support our players in

every possible way," he said. James W. Burdick, Stephen Jackson's lawyer, said it was "unfair and inappropriate" to charge his client.

"The problem is this: a few crazed drunken fans who created a chaotic situation," Burdick said. Steve responded in a way that he

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